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Lord Reith Tipped To Head CDC

Our Own Correspondent

London, Oct. 31. Announcement of the appointment of Lord Reith, former BBC chief, as chairman of the Colonial Development Corporation in succession to Lord Trefgarne is expected at any moment.

Today was Lord Trefgarne's last day in office and he spent it at his headquarters in London. In the afternoon he took farewell of the staff.

Lord Reith has been strongly tipped for this job ever since his presence was noted earlier in the month in the gallery of the House of Commons listening to the debate on the annual report of the Colonial Development Corporation.

He has always taken a keen interest in Commonwealth affairs and once made a 45,000-mile air tour of the dominions and colonies.

Aged 10, his prestige as an administrator and initiator of big developments stands high. In addition to being Director-General of the BBC, he was the first chairman of BOAC.

Something of a swan-song from Lord Trefgarne appears in the autumn issue of the Colonial Development Corporation due for publication tomorrow. Introducing quoted tributes to the CDC he writes: "Men who serve the country in a public corporation learn to maintain in relation to criticism and praise an equilibrium of mind - without being unduly elated by the former. Both will come in plenty; neither will affect, I am sure, steady application to the task in hand which is characteristic of a corporation staff at home and overseas. How grand it is to work out action where results speak louder than words."

The magazine's editorial points out that present and contemplated schemes of the CDC, totalling \$80, involve a capital commitment of £200 million. This investment represents nearly £1 per head in the colonies and in Africa alone represents an increase of 15 per cent of the total capital invested.

The Maine To Return Here

London, Oct. 31. After successfully participating in the evacuation of wounded from Korea, HM hospital ship Maine is to return to Hongkong, the Admiralty announced tonight.

The Maine was the only hospital ship on the Far East station when hostilities broke out in Korea. A message congratulating her captain, officers and crew for the fine work they did has been received from the US commander of naval forces Far East Command—Our Own Correspondent.

Man, Woman Found Shot

Harrow, Oct. 31. The body of John Goodwood, 41, local manager, was found with shot wounds in the head today by girls walking in the grounds of St Dominic Convent.

The body of Mrs Jean Parsons Chandler, 32, was also found with shot wounds by the police in the grounds of an adjoining house.

The gun was by the body of the man. The Convent and house are within a few hundred yards of Harrow School. The house is left in flats.—Reuter.



LORD REITH

US TROOPS EXPECTED AT BORDER TODAY

Driving Towards Manchuria

Seoul, Nov. 1.

Two US columns, in gains of 24 miles or more in as many hours, are expected to reach the Manchurian border today (Wednesday) after hammering through slackening Communist resistance.

One column on the West coast last was reported only 32 road miles from the frontier. The other, on the Northeast front, was 51 miles away.

As the initiative swung again to US spearheads, Major-General Edward M. Almond, commanding the U.S. 10th Army Corps, declared yesterday that UN forces could determine the extent of Chinese Communist reinforcement in Northeast Korea only by "an attack in strength."

Gen. Almond disclosed that at least one Chinese Red regiment had marched to within 15 miles of the important industrial centre of Hamhung on the East coast.

In a statement at Hamhung, he indicated that a strong U.N. attack would be delivered "in the next few days" to determine if two Chinese Red divisions are supporting the Red attack. Prisoners have said two Chinese divisions have moved into Northeast Korea.

A tank column of the US 24th Division advanced 24 miles beyond captured Chongju yesterday in the Northwest.

Field dispatches said the column reached a point only 32 miles away from Sinuiju, on the Yalu River, across from the Chinese city of Antung.

The column was ordered by Major-General John H. Church, Division Commander, to continue rolling last night to keep the Reds off balance. Opposition was slight.—Associated Press.

CHINA AND KOREA
Washington, Oct. 31. American officials still do not expect any open large-scale Chinese intervention against United Nations forces in Korea.

Defence Department officials offered two possible major reasons today for the belated appearance of Chinese Communists in Korea. These reasons were: (1) China's determination to protect the huge power dam on the Yalu River, which supplies electricity for Manchurian points as distant as Harbin and the Russian naval base of Port Arthur.

(2) Determination to keep Korea from working out its own non-Communist salvation by delaying United Nations efforts to pacify, unify and rebuild the country.

Most of the Yalu power installations, towards which American troops are driving, are on the Chinese side of the River. But several dams are anchored on the Korean side.—Reuter.

Good News For Bald Heads

Tokyo, Oct. 31. The Kyodo News agency quoted a Japanese physician in Fukui, in central Honshu, as saying he had discovered a process to give baldheaded persons a new crop of hair.

Dr Usaku Tanaka, of the Fukui Prefecture Hospital, said: "You can grow hair on your bald head by transplanting the cerebrum of a cow on your thigh."

The agency quoted Dr Tanaka as claiming he treated 30 baldheaded patients and that all of them had hair.

The doctor said transplanting of a cerebrum increased secretion of the hormone needed for hair growth in the human body.—United Press.

LEAPS 7 FLOORS

New York, October 31. John Boettiger, the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt's former son-in-law, killed himself today in a seven-story leap from his hotel room window. He suffered a nervous breakdown a week ago.—Associated Press.

MP's Rush For Seats



This historic photo shows the new Chamber of the House of Commons, with members in their seats. The opportunity of making a similar photograph had not occurred before and may never again. The occasion was the scramble to reserve seats after the Sergeant-at-Arms had unlocked the door on October 26 in readiness for the ceremonial opening of the new Chamber.—AP Picture.

Bernard Shaw Weakening

Ayot St Lawrence, England, Oct. 31. George Bernard Shaw was reported weakening tonight.

A member of the 94-year-old playwright's staff said: "He is much weaker. We are concerned."

The witty old wit, who broke his thigh in a fall on September 10, was reported running a high temperature.

The fever is believed to be caused by a kidney ailment. A similar ailment bothered him a few days after accident and he underwent a minor operation for relief.

A specialist from London was called in today. Doctors discouraged visitors. But, despite his weakness, Shaw himself was said to be still anxious to see various friends.

Shaw fell and fractured his left thigh while pruning fruit trees in his garden. He was taken to a hospital next day, and the splintered bone planned together in an operation.

Three days later, Shaw got out of bed for a few minutes. Bearing his weight on his sound leg, he swung his injured limb to exercise it.

Except for the return of the kidney ailment, he made steady progress, and was taken home on October 4, only 24 days after his accident.

A downstairs dining room was turned into a bedroom at Shaw's Corners. On fair days he was wheeled out to take the sun.

His progress had appeared good, but he has not been out of bed for several days, and showed a relapse on Sunday. The "old skeleton" as he described himself just before his 94th birthday, has joked

Another Shocking Plane Disaster

London October 31. A British airliner, hunting safe haven in a dense fog crashed and exploded at London Airport tonight, killing 28 of the 30 persons on board. A man and a woman were found alive in the wreckage.

The two-engine British European Airways plane crashed into a pile of pipe beyond a runway. It had been enroute from Paris to Northolt but had been diverted to London Airport because of a ceiling zero fog.

The crash was the second most disastrous in the London district. The worst occurred in 1948 when a Swedish airliner and a Royal Air Force transport collided, killing 39. Two weeks ago a British European Airways twin engine Dakota hurtled into a London suburban back yard and killed 28 of the 29 on board.

RESCUERS HAMPERED
Parts of the plane were scattered over hundreds of yards. One of the plane's engines was found a quarter mile from the main debris. Rescue work was hampered by the heavy fog.

An airline employee, one of the first men to reach the scene, said:

"I was standing only 100 yards away. We heard it coming down and then there was a terrific crash."

The engine seemed to cut out and there was a horrible sound of crunching glass.

"I looked around for many minutes in the dense fog before I found the wreckage. The two survivors miraculously escaped death. Their injuries were described as serious but not critical."

The plane, a BEA Viking, carried a crew of four and 26 passengers.—Associated Press.

Captives Turn On Captors

Manila, Nov. 1. Constabulary Headquarters said five policemen were killed by three captives who smashed their guns away from them. The Constabulary said the three, arrested for illegal possession of firearms, led a dozen of 15 policemen from the town of Tinong to a secluded place, snatched the guns and tried to escape. Two got away.—Associated Press.

You Will Find Elsewhere In This Issue...

"Mandrake" and a Low cartoon on page 2.
"Sitting on the Fence" by Gubbins, and a Gilles cartoon on page 4.
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The first of Gerald Heard's amazing articles on flying saucers on page 6.
The start of the fourth volume of Winston Churchill's war memoirs on page 11.
Sports on page 8 and 9.
Matters of moment for businessmen on page 13.
Local and general news on page 14.

STOP PRESS

Memphis Air Crash

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 31. A small plane crashed into a home near the Memphis airport tonight and killed at least three persons, all believed to be occupants of the plane, the sheriff's office reported. Ambulance drivers said a fire followed the crash, destroying the plane and spreading to several homes. They said the bodies of two men and a woman, all badly burned, were found. A spokesman for the Memphis Aero Corporation, a private flying service, said he believed the plane was a three-seater Cub cruiser taken aloft by a negro pilot Will Moore, Jr., who was accompanied by another negro man and a negro woman.—United Press.

EDITORIAL

The New China Mail

THE China Mail, which has been an integral part of the newspaper world in Hongkong for more than a century, today takes on a new appearance as well as a slightly new function. Its appearance, we hope, will please the eye of readers, and its modified function, that of being an evening paper instead of a morning daily, will adequately fill a gap in English journalism from which the Colony has suffered since 1941. In fact, the China Mail reverts to what it was, before the Pacific War—a late afternoon daily. As such it occupied a distinguished place in local foreign journalism up to the occupation of Hongkong by the Japanese, and it will be the aim of the new management and editorial staff of the China Mail not only to retain the paper's distinguished record, but to enhance it. The China Mail is also one of the most unique of the Colony's newspapers. It is the oldest, and its continuity of publication remained unbroken until December 25, 1941, when the surrender of Hongkong made it impossible for the paper to make any further appearance until September 9, 1945—a few days after Liberation. The end of the Pacific conflict found the China Mail being produced as a morning daily—an interesting departure from its almost century-old tradition, and as such it has functioned until now. The new China Mail which we offer readers today intends to follow the best precepts and traditions of the British Press. Its first aim will be to present

to the public of Hongkong the latest and accurate news of the day, both local and foreign. This is the prime function of any newspaper worthy of the name and the new China Mail intends that it shall be known in Hongkong as one of the most reliable newspapers in its handling of the current news. The China Mail is also setting out to give to readers informative and entertaining reading material not to be obtained from any other newspaper in Hongkong. Its features department will, we feel confident, be unapproachable. In this respect the emphasis is placed on catering to all tastes—a manifestly imposing task, but one which the China Mail will strive to accomplish. Thus, comic strips as well as serious articles, sports as well as cartoons, a section for the children as well as a regular space devoted to women's interests, are included in the new China Mail and are designed to contribute towards its readability and its attractiveness. Editorially the China Mail will strive to be firm, fair, impartial, and where necessary in the interests of the public, critical, but determined always to preserve its integrity as a newspaper honestly reflecting public opinion. It will not seek to serve any particular interests, but will endeavour always to have in mind its sober responsibilities to the general public of Hongkong. With this in mind the new China Mail presents itself to the Colony.

The Odd And The Unusual

Wokingham, Berks, Oct. 31.
Parents have gone back to school here, at the express desire of their children's teachers. Once a week they attend a class in mathematics, under the tuition of Mr B. J. Wilkins, headmaster of St. Paul's School. Where the staff complained that pupils were being confused by two methods of teaching.

Mothers and fathers, helping with the homework, were using out-of-date methods even though they got the answers to the sums right. Now the children will be confused no longer, for their parents are moving apt scholars at the modern methods of coping with fractions and decimals. So far not one of the adult pupils has played truant, or turned up late for lessons.—Reuter.

ECONOMICS OF SMOKING

Bonn, Oct. 31. Germany's smokers wish they could afford fewer pipebills and more cigarettes. A straw poll conducted by owners of tobacco shops in North Rhine-Westphalia showed that their customers distributed as follows: cigarette smokers 25 per cent; pipe smokers 24 per cent; and cigar smokers 51 per cent. Nine per cent of the pipe-smokers would turn to cigarettes and 18 per cent to cigars if they had enough money. Most of them think that they do not get enough tobacco, 20 to 30 per cent of the men and 10 per cent of the women would smoke a little more. If they could afford it, or if the price were lowered, 10 per cent

SHOE BLACK STUDENTS
Sixteen South Bombay, Oct. 31.—Sixteen black students turned shoe blacks here to earn 80 rupees (\$28 sterling) for a fund to relieve victims of the recent earthquake in Assam. Taking part in a one-day "donate-your-services" campaign, they each polished two pairs of shoes.—Reuter.

SNAKE IN THE BOX
Munich, Germany, Oct. 31. A Gendarme, while on duty, found a big cardboard box from a parcel carrier here on Tuesday. Two hours later the police issued a city-wide alarm. The two parcels contained 30 deadly South American snakes.—United Press.

THE LUCKY HELL
Brisbane, Oct. 31. The finger of a woman's handbag, containing A&A handkerchiefs, was returned to her owner. She bought a lottery ticket in the name of the handbag. It won £100.—Reuter.

FLIGHT FOR SWANS
Dorchester, Oct. 31. Two pairs of swans from the Lake of Umbagog, N.H., were taken from Dorchester, N.H., and flown to London and there put on a Trans-Canada plane for the United States.

SACRILEGIOUS DOGS
Paderborn, Oct. 31. A dog named "Monsieur" was found in a churchyard in Paderborn, Germany. It was found in a grave and was buried with it. The dog was found in a grave and was buried with it. The dog was found in a grave and was buried with it.

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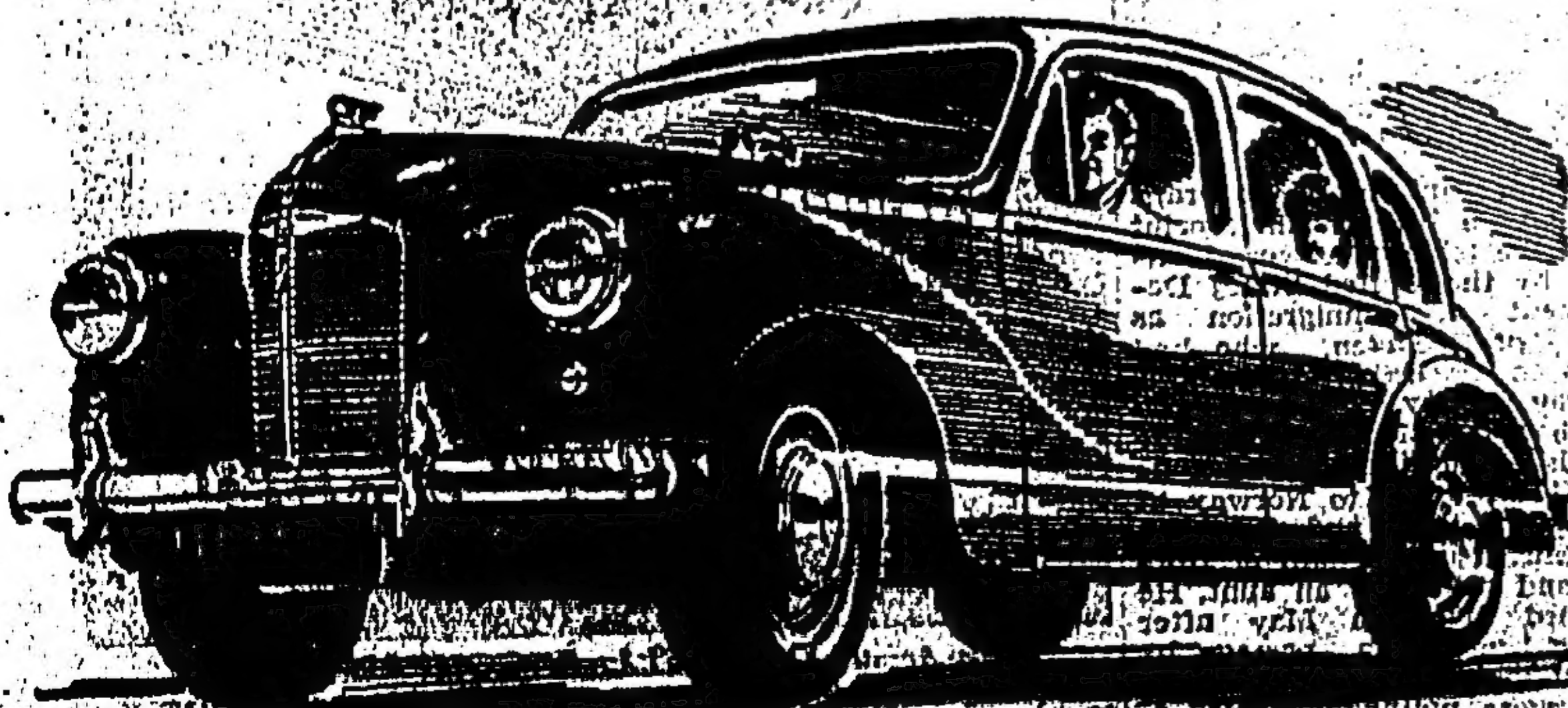
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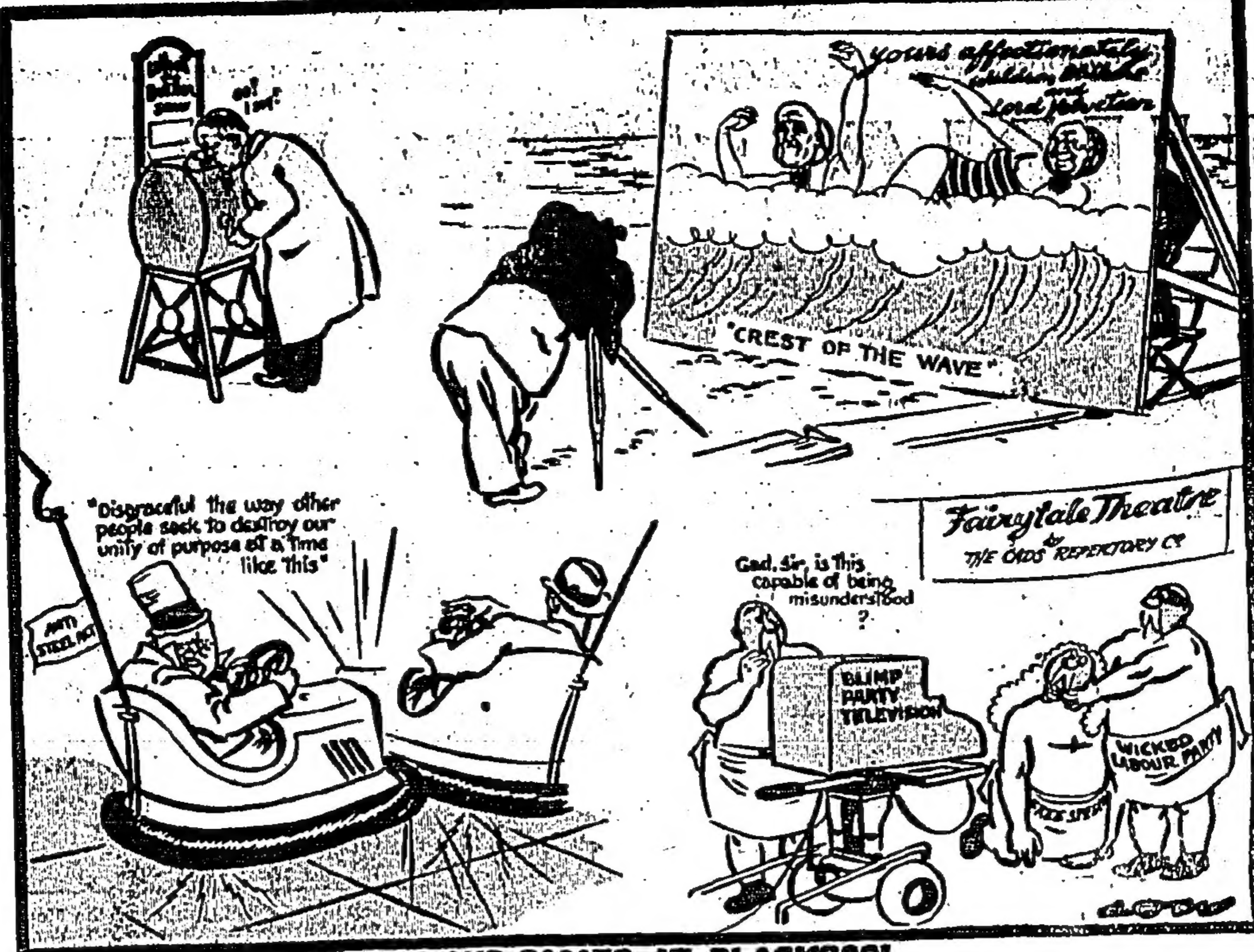
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Togliatti Has An Operation

Rome, Oct. 31.
Palmiro Togliatti, 57-year-old chief of the Italian Communist Party, was late tonight operated on successfully for a clot on the brain.
The extremely delicate operation was made by two Italian surgeons—Professors Valdani and Pietro Eugeni.
At the end of the operation the two surgeons stated, "His condition is satisfactory."
They added that a communique on the Communist leader's health would be issued early tomorrow.—Reuter.

Bishop Resents Snub

London, Oct. 31.
The Bishop of Gibraltar, the Right Rev. D. C. Horsley, said today that he felt very strongly because he had been refused a visa to visit Bulgaria and Rumania.
The Bishop had made no criticisms of the existing regimes in Bulgaria and Rumania. He was only anxious to carry out his duties of ministering to British citizens in those countries.—Reuter.

Tory Blessing For Labour Arms Policy

London, Oct. 31.

Effect Of Arming On Economy

New York, Oct. 31.

Changes in the international economic picture necessary in connection with the military preparedness programme of the United States and nations associated with it must be accomplished without inflation and without sacrificing President Truman's Point Four programme, the Assistant United States Secretary of Treasury, William M. Martin, said today.

Mr. Martin said, "What we must now consider is the impact of defence efforts by the United States and nations associated with us on the course of international trade and what will be the probable repercussions on the international financial and economic policy."
The necessity for building up armaments will increase world trade, though to a considerable extent this increased trade will not raise the world standards of living. If we are to produce planes and tanks we shall have abroad as well as to devote a large portion of our resources to these purposes. Other countries which lack industrial equipment or the skills in manpower necessary to provide their defence goods will have to obtain these goods abroad.

"As a result some countries which formerly had a deficit in their trade with the United States or with other countries, will find themselves with surplus which they will have available either to increase their purchases abroad or to build up their monetary reserves. We may hope that there will be few or no countries which will look upon the source of peace in the world merely as a means of improving their international position."
Looking forward to changes to come, Mr. Martin said, "Up to this time the need for trade barriers and restrictions has been largely justified on the ground of insufficient earnings to pay for the necessary imports, particularly those from the dollar area. In the period immediately ahead it is likely that new standards may have to be applied for judging the propriety of economic policies."—United Press.

Mr Winston Churchill, the leader of the Conservative Opposition, told Parliament today that he was glad Britain was at last converted to the principle of a European Army or an Atlantic defence.

He would not quarrel about the terminology, for the principle was the same — an army for the defence of Europe to which Germany will be invited to contribute divisional formations.

Speaking on a motion of thanks to the King for his speech from the Throne earlier today, Mr. Churchill said: "The success of the intervention of the United Nations in Korea and General MacArthur's brilliant conduct and measurement of military events are a cause for general rejoicing."

Mr Churchill was interrupted by Labour cries of "Shame" and "Cheap" when he said that the British Labour Government for five years had lived very largely on American bounty.
Mr Churchill said that the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, and the Minister of Health, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, had stated that without American help Britain would have had two million unemployed.

Mr Churchill said that the local importance of events in Korea was far outweighed by their effects on the world situation.
"The events have definitely increased the prospects of averting a third world war," he declared.

WANTS SECRET DEBATE

Mr Churchill again demanded a secret debate on defence and called for a debate on foreign policy, saying that, like other members of the European Consultative Assembly, he had undertaken at Strasbourg to bring his resolutions before Parliament.
Mr Churchill said that the proposed new Government control measures would give the Government powers utterly beyond anything compatible with a decent and reasonable Parliamentary system.
It seemed to be full of vague menace, but he added: "It is very unlikely that this Parliament will last long enough to make it effective."

He called the reference to controls in the speech "five lines of blatant and impudent demagoguery."
Mr Churchill accused the Prime Minister of trying to prolong the inevitability of a general election.
"I am quite satisfied that the Prime Minister is indulging his personal power in these matters in a manner most harmful to the community and to all the large enduring interest of the nation."—Reuter.

Heavy Fine For Earl Peel

Liverpool, Oct. 31.
Earl Peel, Lord Lieutenant of Lancashire, was fined £25,000 here today for spending £17,000 on alterations to his home without a Government licence.

Seven others, including architects and building contractors, were fined sums varying from £500 to £1,500 for doing the work.

In addition to his fine the 66-year-old Earl was ordered to pay £2,000 costs.
Judge Lynskey said that if he did not pay the fine he would have to go to prison for a year. But he did pay and left the Court.—Reuter.

Cynical Story Of Alleged Murderer

Brunswick, Germany, Oct. 31.

Rudolf Pleil, aged 26, a former German policeman who is charged here with 10 murders, claimed today: "I am allowed to kill because my conscience dictates it."

He was answering questions by medical experts at the second day of his hearing here.

He left the dock without being required to make any plea, under German law. He admitted "great pleasure" in killing and maiming animals as a child. He offered to confess a confession of complicity from his co-defendant, Karl Hoffman, who, he said, "was not similarly privileged to kill." The Court declined the offer.

Stocky, smiling Pleil, who yesterday admitted a hitherto undiscovered murder, is alleged to have confessed to killing 20 people in an ill-written diary containing "obscene passages." Most of the alleged victims were women.
The police said that Pleil dismembered his "victims"

bodies and scattered parts on both sides of the Soviet-British zonal border, so that they were unable to collect evidence in all cases.

Pleil admitted yesterday that as a boy he had relations with a man and a waitress, and found "satisfaction for the first time" when he accidentally shot a Polish civilian during the war. He also claimed he had been an epileptic sufferer for years.

He has been in prison for manslaughter since 1947.
Hoffman, aged 36, is charged with complicity in five murders and a third German, Konrad Schuessler, aged 22, a former French Foreign Legionnaire, with complicity in two.
The Court adjourned until Thursday.—Reuter.

Kremlin Banking On Republican Election Victory

Washington, Oct. 31.

American diplomats wondered on Tuesday if the Kremlin possibly has decided the Republicans are going to win the November elections.

That was one explanation suggested here for the otherwise incomprehensible move by Mr Jacob Malik, Russia's United Nations representative, to assure the State Department consultant, Mr John Foster Dulles, that the United States had nothing to fear from Russia.

Mr Dulles, a Republican who has been branded an arch-capitalist by Moscow, got the full "peace" treatment from Mr Malik at a private talk in New York last week. The two together in Mr Dulles's apartment was called to discuss the Japanese peace treaty.

Unofficial reports indicated the treaty talks did not get far, but that Mr Malik gave the American a lecture on Russia's aims. He was reported to have said: "The United States is unduly afraid of Russia. You do not have to fear Russian Communism. It is not for export. It is kept at home."

COLD WAR TALK

According to responsible sources here, Mr Dulles read to Mr Malik from Stalin's "Essays on Leninism" to establish the expansionist nature of the Communist movement. Reports reaching here indicate the two and a half hour talk touched on various Soviet cold war manoeuvres since World War II.

Mr Malik was said to have indicated these may have stemmed from misunderstanding. His argument was that certain "power vacuums" were left in strategic parts of the world and that United States efforts to move into them and establish bases worried Moscow.

According to informed sources, Mr Dulles replied the United States did not move into any trouble area unless the Russians had already done so or threatened to.

The talks also were said to have touched on Soviet-American trade, which is at an all-time low. Mr Malik asked if American capitalists would be willing to trade with Soviet Union "without exorbitant profits," and Mr Dulles replied, "of course."

UNIMPRESSED

The State Department received a long report from Mr Dulles but refused to comment on the exchange of views. American diplomats said privately however they were unimpressed. They said American policy toward Russia remained the same, and it would take actions and not words to convince the United States that Russia really wants peace.—United Press.

Pandora's Box Taken By Thief

Munich, October 31.
Somebody stole a sack and a big cardboard box from a parked car on Tuesday.
Two hours later the police issued a city-wide alarm.
The two parcels contained 80 deadly South American snakes.—United Press.

Sheffield "Peace" Congress

London, Oct. 31.

Final plans for the Communist-backed World Peace Congress, opening in Sheffield on November 18, were drawn up at a meeting in Prague last week-end, according to British delegates who are back in London today.

The organisation of the Congress proceedings shifted to Prague after the British Government banned foreign members of the World Peace Movement Executive from meeting in London for the preliminary planning.

Soviet, French, Italian, American, Chinese, Indian, German and British delegates attended the Prague conference.

The Sheffield Congress will be asked to decide on future action on the following points:

1. The abolition of atomic and other weapons of mass destruction.
2. The limitation of all armaments.
3. A denunciation of aggression and "armed intervention."
4. The prohibition of war propaganda.
5. Support for "all proposals to settle the Korean question by peaceful means, and the mass bombing, and to reach an agreement through the Security Council after both sides are heard."

The British Peace Committee, which is preparing the working arrangements for the Congress, is still waiting to hear whether British visas have been granted for the 3,000 delegates invited from 120 countries.—Reuter.

Tibet Ruler Asks India For Sanctuary

New Delhi, Oct. 31.

Indian Government sources revealed today that the Dalai Lama, 15-year-old spiritual and temporal ruler of 3,000,000 Tibetans, has asked the Indian authorities for refuge for himself and his government.
The Dalai Lama is reported to be planning to flee from Lhasa, his capital, as Chinese Communist troops drive through heavy snows and across precipitous mountains only 150 miles away.

Communist China in its 1950 protest against India's protest, stated that this was a "domestic affair," and Chinese troops were merely sent as a security measure to defend China's own territory.

Secondly, the Chinese move was aimed at thwarting military intervention by a foreign power.—United Press.

Dullness In Cotton

New York, Oct. 31.

New dullness appeared in cotton futures and the market developed at a slow pace. Opinion is that buyers and sellers are temporarily inactive, awaiting further developments.
The Washington Post said the Munitions Board had set November 10 as the deadline for the military services to supply a detailed estimate of their cotton requirements in 1950.

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INDIAN SILENCE ON THE TIBET ISSUE

New Delhi, Oct. 31. China has told India that she is willing to hold peace talks with the Tibetans but that the matter is a domestic one admitting of no foreign interference, according to well informed quarters here today.

The Peking authorities, in their reply which was received here today to India's note of "surprise and regret" at the movement of their troops into Tibet, reiterated their stand that Tibet is an integral part of China, it was believed.

They expressed willingness to receive the official Tibetan delegation now in India on the way to China to seek a peaceful settlement of the issue and added that their action in sending troops into the country was necessitated by "prejudicial activities" on the part of certain foreign powers.

The Indian Government, studying the reply here today, remained silent on its contents.

CRITICISM IN PEKING

Chinese Government circles in Peking were also silent, it was reported here. Unofficial circles there were said to be critical of the references in India to the Tibetan operations as an "invasion."

News of the "liberation" campaign was still blacked out in the Chinese press.

The Chinese reply was handed to the Indian Ambassador in Peking, Dr Panikkar, after long talks at the Chinese Foreign Ministry.—Reuter.

Malik Loses In Assembly Resolution

Flushing Meadow, Oct. 31. The General Assembly today defeated a Soviet move to defer consideration of the proposal to reappoint Mr Trygve Lie as Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Immediately the Assembly convened the Soviet delegate, Mr Jacob Malik, said that as there was no recommendation from the Security Council on the appointment of a Secretary-General, it was illegal to include the matter in the General Assembly agenda.

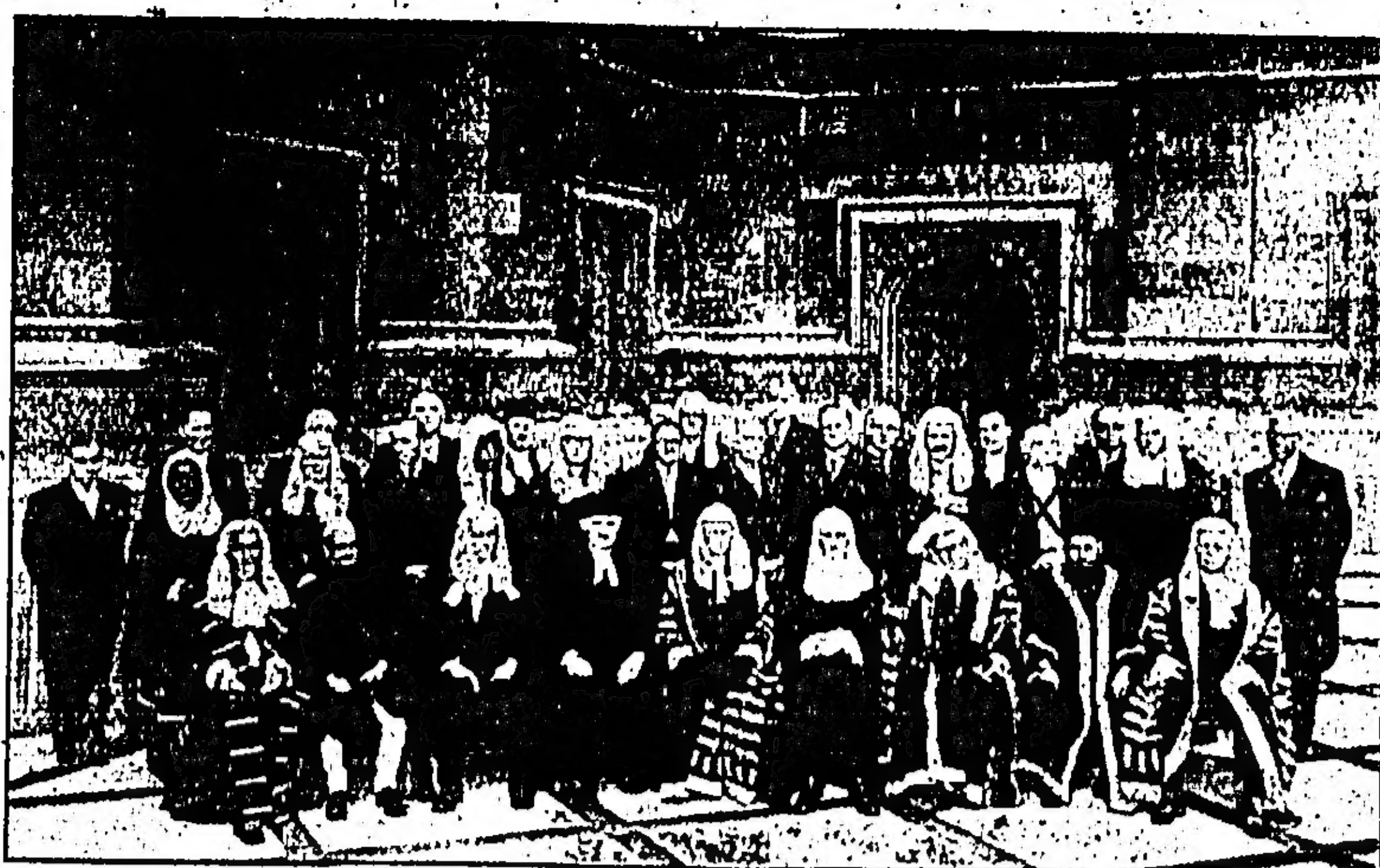
He moved a formal resolution to defer consideration of the question and to ask the Security Council to take up the question again.

The Soviet motion was defeated by 45 votes to five with nine abstentions.

Mr Lie's term of office as Secretary-General expires in February. A proposal that his term should be extended was approved by nine members of the Security Council but this was vetoed by the Soviet Union. Since then the Council has held several meetings on the matter without reaching a decision.—Reuter.

RETURNS TO COLONY

Mr S. C. Onsager returned to the Colony yesterday by the ms. Hui Hing.



Speakers and Presiding Officers from the Commonwealth countries attended ceremonies marking the opening of the new House of Commons in London. They are pictured here on the terrace of the Houses of Parliament with Colonel Clifton Brown, Speaker of the Mother House.—Associated Press.

AIR ARM OFFICER IN COURT

Devonport, Oct. 31.

A film taken by a camera gun during an air firing exercise in which a plane towing a target crashed into the sea, was shown at a Devonport Court Martial today.

Lieutenant John Crowley, Fleet Air Arm pilot of a Sea Fury fighter, was charged with causing the loss of a Royal Navy Martinet plane. The Martinet, which was towing the target, crashed into the sea. Its crew of two were killed.

Lieutenant Crowley, also charged with negligence and not taking sufficient care to identify the target and towing aircraft during an air-firing exercise, pleaded "Not Guilty."

Lieutenant Crowley, in evidence, said that after a series of flying accidents he "began actively to dislike flying."

He was away from flying for two years. When he returned, he suffered from nervousness in the air. He was confident that he had identified both the target and the towing craft.—Reuter.

Franco's Daughter In Gibraltar

Gibraltar, Oct. 31. General Franco's daughter, the Marquesa de Villaverde, paid a short visit to Gibraltar today. She was the first member of the Franco family to set foot on the Rock since the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War in 1936.

With her husband, the Marques de Villaverde, she drove in from Cadiz this afternoon.—Reuter.

Empire Parliamentary Speakers In London

AGITATION IN U.S. FOR JAPAN PEACE

New York, Oct. 31.

The time has come to restore Japan to a full place in the world family of nations and to end the Occupation, Mr William Draper, Jr., Vice-President of the Dillon Read Company, asserted today.

Addressing the second day session of the 37th National Foreign Trade Convention here, Mr Draper told nearly 2,000 American businessmen, "The time has come — indeed it is long past — to recognise formally that we are at peace with Japan and to turn back sovereignty to her own government."

"Japan has faithfully carried out every obligation of the surrender document and she is now legally and morally entitled to re-enter the community of nations."

"The time has come not only to end the Occupation but to recognise close commercial interests and to establish true partnership between the United States and Japan."

Nations of the British Commonwealth agreed months ago that a peace treaty with Japan was overdue. If any other country is not yet prepared to make peace on fair or reasonable terms, we should wait no longer. After Korea we cannot continue to let Russia call the tune."

Mr Draper said, "The feeling of hopelessness has gone and today the Japanese people are working happily and industriously to complete material and spiritual recovery of their country from the physical and moral destruction of war."

MIRACULOUS CHANGE

"Four men are primarily responsible for the miraculous change that has emerged and stabilized the Japanese economy so quickly. Two are Americans and two are Japanese."

"General MacArthur personally issued the stabilisation direction and has supported and enforced its objectives without compromise. Mr Joseph Dodge's financial techniques stopped inflation in the tracks despite all opposition."

"The programme could never have been successful without the continuous co-operation of Japanese government."

Mr Draper paid tribute to Premier Shigeru Yoshida and Minister of Finance Hayato Ikeda for making the Allied programme a success.—United Press.

Anti-American Drive In China

Peking, Oct. 31.

Communist China today intensified its nation-wide campaign calling for Chinese aid to the Korean people.

This coincided with reports of Chinese troops on the Korean front.

Pledges of active aid to Korea came today from trade union, peasants' and workers' organisations and other recognised bodies throughout China.

"Indignation meetings" also voiced protests against "repeated instructions across Chinese territorial air by American military aircraft."—Reuter.

Boy Burnt By Mustard Gas

Newport, Oct. 31.

Five-year-old Kenneth Ros-sitter is in a Newport hospital today suffering from mustard gas burns. He found a stone jar containing liquid while playing on the site of an old American army camp at Malpas where a school playing field is being excavated.

A second stone jar containing mustard gas has been dug up. The area has now been neutralised and is being watched by the police.—Reuter.

Stan Laurel's Condition

Paris, October 31. The condition of comedian Stan Laurel recuperating in the American Hospital in Paris after an operation for an abscess, was reported today "fairly good."

An official at the hospital said Laurel was tired, "but his condition is fairly good."—Associated Press.

UN DECISION REVOKED

Lake Success, Oct. 31. The UN Special Political Committee today voted to revoke the 1946 UN recommendation that all members withdraw their top diplomats from Franco Spain. The vote was 37-10 with 12 abstentions.

The resolution also provides that Spain be admitted to UN specialised agencies.—Associated Press.

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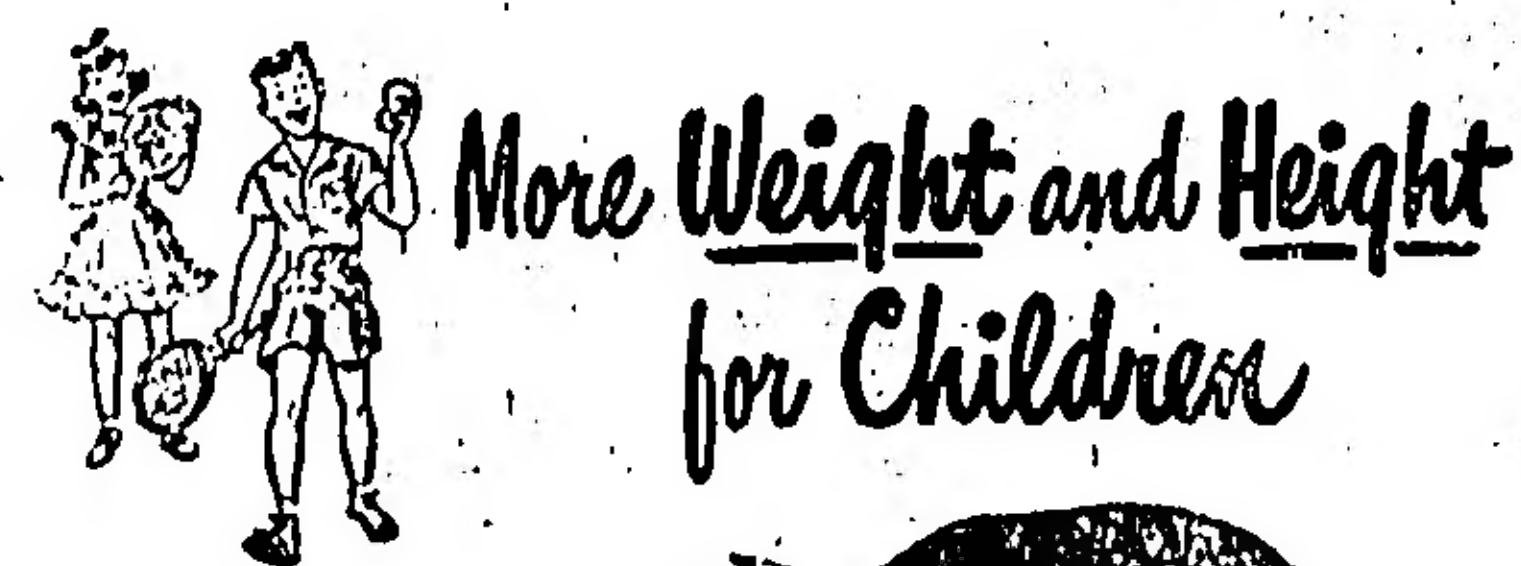
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NAVY WOULDN'T TRAIN ON TRICYCLES

By Peter Lovegrove

THE use of tricycles instead of ships for the instruction of naval officers in manoeuvring fleets, to avoid the "costly expenditure of coal," was recommended to the Admiralty seventy years ago.

This original idea came from Lieutenant Crawford Cuffin, Senior Lieutenant of HMS Zealous. He proposed the construction of dummy ships, made of a light material and mounted on "velocipedes or tricycles, which would be operated on a piece of level ground by the Officers taking part." Rubber or cork rams were to be provided "to withstand the shock of collisions."

The scheme caught the fancy of Vice-Admiral A. Farquhar, then flying his flag in the Zealous, but not that of the traditionally conservative Lords of the Admiralty, for in a minute on the document one of these, Rear-Admiral Seymour, comments: "Ingenious, perhaps, but slightly conducive to ridicule if practised in public."

It remained in the Naval records, however, and is now on public view for the first time with similarly fascinating glimpses into the Royal Navy's past at the Public Record Office in London.

Grog introduced

Another document deals with the introduction of grog by Vice-Admiral Edward Vernon in the West Indies in 1740. The Admiralty, much concerned at his sailors' stupefying themselves with "Spiritous Liquors" in the many punch houses of Port Royal harbour, Jamaica, issued a general order laying down that

"Whereas... the Pernicious Custom of the Seamen Drinking their Allowance of Rum in Drums, and often at once, is attended by many fatal Effects to their Morals as well as their Health..." the daily allowance of half a pint a man is to be mixed with a quart of water... to be mixed in one Scuttled But kept for that purpose and to be done upon Deck, and in the Presence of the Lieutenant of the Watch, who is to see that the men are not defrauded of their allowance of rum; it is to be served in two servings, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. "met" that are good Husbands may from the Savings of their Salt Provisions take a Brand purchase Sugar and Limes to make the water more Palatable to them."

This mixture got its name from the Admiral's nickname of "Old Grog" given him for his habit of wearing a grogram coat.

Captain Kidd

The exhibition reveals that the notorious Captain William Kidd was given in 1698 a special commission under the Great Seal to seize and bring in pirates on the American coast and elsewhere.

The inducements he offered men in New York to join his crew on the galleon Adventure included a share of all treasure taken. Any man losing a leg or arm in his services was to have 600 pieces of eight, while thieves received short shifts; they were turned ashore in an uninhabited place.

Kidd, however, fell to the lure of piracy himself, and with one of his crew turning King's evidence, he was brought to trial at the Old Bailey a few years later and hanged at Execution Dock.

Yellowing parchments, faded charts and laboriously penned diagrams recall the great battles, pioneering expeditions and

tragedies of the high seas, which contrast oddly with their setting in his forbidding building in the autumn greyness of Chancery Lane.

There is a letter from Sir Francis Drake written on July 31, 1588 during the pursuit of the Spanish Armada stating: "There was never any thing pleased me better than seeing the enemy flying with a sotherly wynd to the northwardes."

The master of the Vanguard describes how "our Red gave them such A Harty welcom which put them out of order and in A Small Tyme they began to Run" at the battle of La Hogue (1692).

There is Rodney's account of the battle of the Saints (1782), which has been called a milestone in Naval History, because it was won by a departure from the then rigid rule that an Admiral should not alter the formation in which he began an action. Rodney, taking advantage of a change of wind, altered the flagship's course and broke into the enemy's line.

A Milestone

There is also a warrant signed by King James II and counter-signed by Samuel Pepys asking the Navy Board to report on an invention for transforming salt water into fresh in 1688 submitted by Robert Boyle, the "Father of Chemistry." The instrument was an "Iron Body closed with a Head of ye same Matter" within which was "a Metalline Composition," and the inventors claimed that the water thus made was "better than any common Water and very good against ye scurvy."

Sir Walter Raleigh's Fleet Orders for the ill-fated expedition to the Orinoco (1617), which led to his execution... accounts for the construction of Portsmouth dry dock in 1495, the first of its kind in England. Its cost: £193, 0s. 6½d. (including the gate)... Vice-Admiral Benbow's evidence at the court-martial of disloyal officers who refused to obey his orders in a sea-fight on the Spanish Main in 1702, in which has been immortalised in a ballad—Collingwood's general order after Trafalgar (1805): "I have thought proper, that a day should be appointed of general humiliation before God, and thanksgiving for this his merciful Goodness"... a description of a local riot in the late of Man, against the brutal activities of the Pressgangs (1803)... Pacific explorations in the 18th Century by Captain Cook and Captain William Bligh of Bounty fame... a ballad of the mutineers at the Nore (1797)... a letter from Charles Darwin accepting to sail as a naturalist on the Beagle (1831)... a supplementary estimate of the cost of the Warrior (1860), the first large ship of the British Navy to be built entirely of iron... Agateheads, fighting instructions and signalling systems.

Round Robin

The most humble exhibit is one of the earliest known examples of the use in the Navy of a Round Robin—the device, later very popular with seamen, of putting names to a petition in the form of a circle so as to conceal the order of signing. This was addressed in 1627 to a ship's captain by 70 of his crew who refused to weigh anchor until provisioned, and opens:

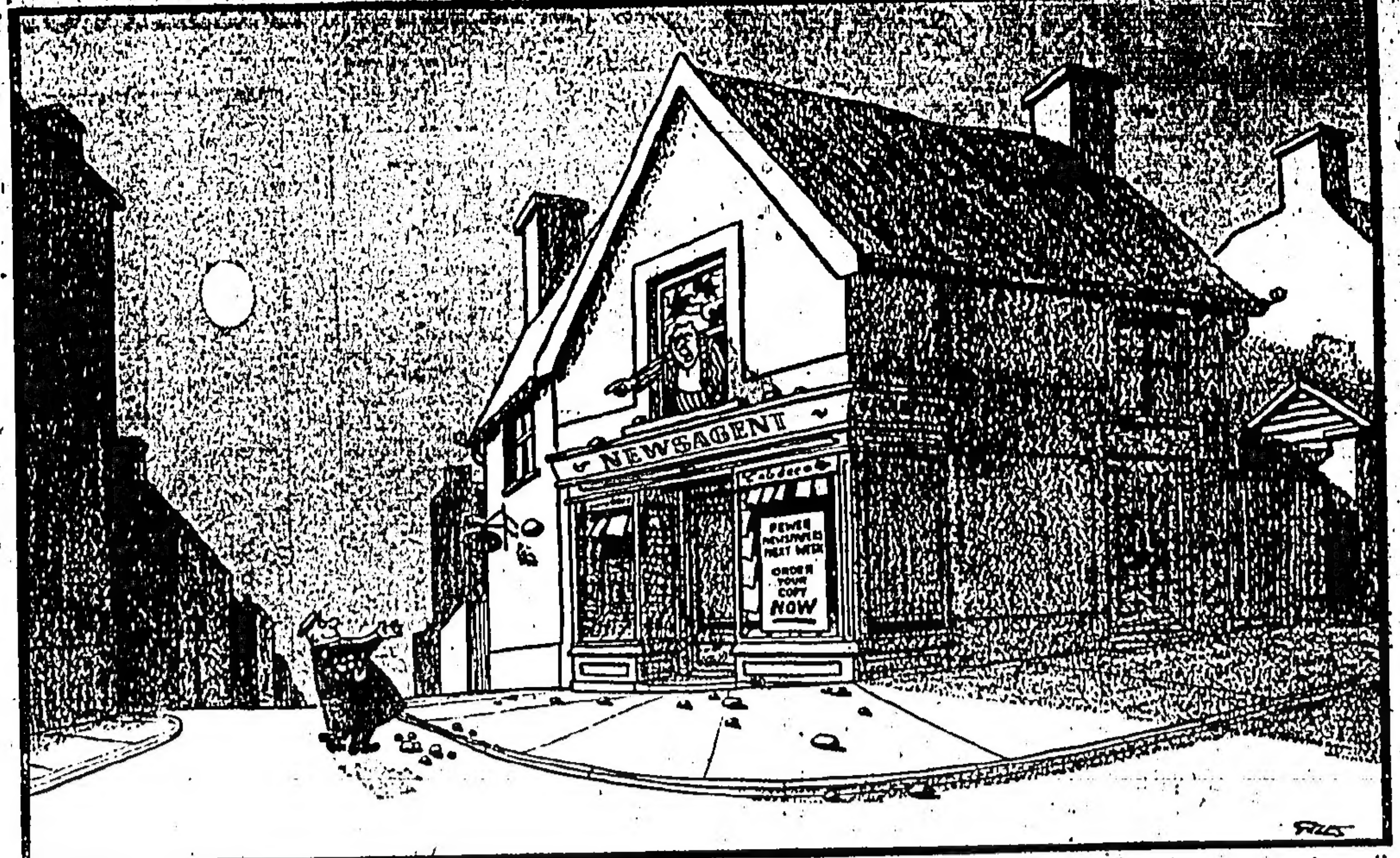
"Good Captain to yor wordes weo all give care

But they unplesing seame as wee doe heare..."

And ends, not without some prudence:

"Unto which saying weo will all applye

Before wee yeld wee one and all will dye
God blesse the kings and send hime longe to reyne."



"Throwing stones all night at my window to remind me to save you your copy will get you nowhere."
London Express Service

Sitting on the Fence.... by

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

CHRISTMAS comes but once a year
To everyone but me,
They eat their pud; it does them good
With Christmas cake for tea.

By Boxing night they've seen enough
Of turkey, pud and pie...
In savage mood I stir the pud
From August to July.

Wild winds of March may howl outside,
Soft April rain may fall,
The birds of May with love song say
Will charm the ears of all...
Of all but me in factory steam
As cauldrons boil and bubble,
In savage mood I stir the pud,
And wish not joy but trouble.

When cowslips bloom in meadow sweet
Each summer breeze that blows
Brings scent and smell from wood and dell
To many a lucky nose;
But not to mine, that sniffs
Might else
But rum and boiling suet...
In savage mood I stir the pud,
Creating as I do it.

So if you eat, this Christmas time,
A pud I might have made,
While you, by stream, reclined, to dream
In drowsy woodland shade,
No blessings shall attend your board,
No luck shall come your way...
I stirred your pud in savage mood,
And cursed your Christmas Day.

The lost bone

"Dog companionship is a major factor in outwitting old age," writes Dr Clarence W. Lieb, "but the nervous type of dog is not good medicine for high-strung humans; nor is the sad-eyed, phlegmatic, type good for sad and depressed personalities."

CHEER UP, ROVER.
Oh, I'm all right.

You needn't look so miserable. I can't help it. It's my long face, and long ears, and big eyes, and everything.

And your wrinkled, worried brow.

Yes, I know. But that's my breed. I was born with wrinkles.

You're not the kind of dog the doctor ordered, Rover.

I know. I'm not. You should have had a lively, boisterous little dog, always barking and eating your bedroom slippers.

I don't like boisterous little dogs who eat bedroom slippers, Rover.

Nor do I. But then we're very much alike. You also have big eyes and a long face. And long ears, too.

You needn't be personal, Rover. I'm sorry. But we're much the same type, aren't we?

We both suffer from melancholia. If that's what you mean. But then you don't have all my worries.

I have my worries, too. Since I passed the middle fifties I find my memory's going. I'm always losing things like spectacles and bank books.

So am I.

Don't be silly, Rover. You don't have such things. I have other things. Last week I buried a bone. But I can't remember where. I try and try. In the night I wake thinking and wondering.

Oh, poor Rover. Anything else? Yes. But we can't go into that. Why not? We're friends, aren't we? What is it? Girl trouble? Yes.

That's a foolish worry, Rover. You know you can have your girl friends here for tea and biscuits any time you like. I know. But they won't come.

Won't come, Rover? It's my long, miserable face. They laugh at it.

There, there, don't cry, Rover. Girls have always laughed at my face, too.

Have they? That's why I'm a bachelor, Rover.

I'm so sorry. So we have one more thing in common. I'll buy you another bone, and when you bury it we'll mark the spot with a little stick, shall we?

Oh, thank you. You're so good to me. It's nothing between friends, Rover.

Diary of a worm

FLUSHED excited worm arrives home late to tell wife he has joined Civil Defence.

Oh, so this is worm's latest trick to stay out late, is it?

retired colonels and heads of police and Home Office.

What chance is there for fuddled worm to pass exams, when fuddled worm hadn't enough intelligence even to become lance-corporal in Home Guard, while clear-headed gas manager, who never had more than two sherries before dinner, properly served at proper time by maid in white cap and apron, was zone commander, driving about in powerful cars with everybody calling him "sir."

No doubt, of course, worm thinks of himself as hero, destined to save country from destruction. No doubt worm, drunk with power, will infuriate neighbours, ordering them about if trouble comes.

But, as wife sees it, fuddled worm, his health ruined by self-indulgence and irregular meals, bolted like pig at trough, his pockets emptied by cadging worm friends, will soon be come laughing stock of Civil Defence and finally be drummed out for incompetence a that wife can never hold her head up in Worm's Avenue again.

—(London Express Service)

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WOMANSENSE

Paris Designers Go All Out To Please Women

Designed for holding a woman's "secrets" hidden in the "cache-necessaire" worn between the corset and the skin is the speciality of one Paris designer's collection.

ONCE again, the top Paris designers follow the general trend, but each uses his own ideas in interpretation. Each collection really stands alone — and must be considered alone.

SCHIAPARELLI always on top of designers showing spectacular collections, has heaps of striking novelties. Her dresses are miniatures of her wide coats. They are featured in the same material and colour and show the same details. There is a secret in this collection and we were asked to find it. It is a thin wooden plate which gives a flat front line. (Worn between the skin and the corset this oval wooden plate is the hidden secret). There are heaps of buttons in the collection, pockets placed in unusual places, called "Cache-necessaire" (hide the necessary), which may contain your secrets, love letters.

FATH introduces this year the "Pillarline" which shows a moulded bust and moulded hips and a very low placed fullness. His mannequins have long hair, pale complexions and look like Russian ballerinas.

CHRISTIAN DIOR'S mannequins also have long hair with a new style of "hair-do," a hat, made up in hair, fur or fabric that looks like a little cake placed on the top of the head.

Dresses and coats may be narrow or wide, but they are always beautiful and very ladylike.

BALMAIN dazzles his visitors, showing 12 milk coats including white and Royal pastel milk. His dresses are simple for daytime and in Genghis Khan style with rich embroidery for evening. Gloves with flower cuffs become button-hole flowers and umbrellas contain perfume in a ball placed on the top of the handle.

ALWYNN, two years ago an unknown young man, ranged himself among the top designers and invited us to see his "Fan" effects. This fan, a pleated dress, flares from the knees or starts just below the hip, while the rest of the figure remains moulded. Flowers mixed with sequin embroidery or violets bunched give a charming effect.

High necks won all around enthusiasm in dresses. Most often they are worked with a soft drape through the bodice, as in Dior's crisscross fastened at back. Balenciaga's mandarin neck, variations of turtle neck at Balmain, Heim, and Schiaparelli.

Scarfs come out of bodice virtually everywhere. Stoles are in a widespread revival worn draped high across the front.

Buttons are impressive in opening collections both for their quantity and novelty. Most notable are double-breasted closings to the hem in loose coats, set further apart toward bottom to stress the pyramid shape. The same plot is seen in dresses with double-breasted buttons in back, closest together at the waist line.

Expert advice given on . . .
How to preserve that glamour in your shoes

By ELEANOR ROSS

BEAUTIFUL shoes will soon be coming into the stores, created to complement the new fashions and to add that certain something to clothes that have already seen some service. Choose the right shoes, the proper heel heights, and then give them the best of care keeping suede, kidskin, calfskin in good condition, the leather soles supple.

Into each type of leather has gone the proper type of lubricant. If these lubricants are removed by washing or

cleaning, they must be preserved or replaced. The average black or brown shoe polish contains oils and waxes which lubricate and protect the leather. Therefore the regular use of these polishes actually benefits the leather. Never apply polish to dirty shoes, and do not use thick coats of polish. This is professional advice from a famous shoe firm in America.

On Shoe Trees

If shoes are not to be used for some time, it is wise to clean them on shoe trees and give them a liberal application of saddle soap. The soap acts as a lubricant and will prevent the leather from drying out. Saddle soap is best applied as a lather, with a sponge no wetter than is necessary to create a thick lather.

When shoe leather becomes excessively dry and requires oil care must be taken not to apply something that will alter or limit its usefulness. As a general rule, re-lubrication in the home will be safe if a 10 to 20 percent solution of sulfonated castor oil or sulfonated neatsfoot oil or cod oil is used. Rub oil on gently with a soft cloth, and apply sparingly. After one application, shoes should be allowed to stand for one day, after which time, the condition of the leather will indicate whether more applications are necessary. It is important to be sparing with the oil, as there is danger of staining the leather, or rendering it absolutely impenetrable to the passage of air. This would destroy one of the chief health-improving properties of leather—its ability to air-condition the foot.

Squeak

If leather shoes develop a squeak, dryness may be the cause. It may help to stand the shoes in a pan of warm neat-foot oil, just high enough to cover the leather soles, but not for longer than ten minutes.

Suede shoes are best kept in good condition by standing and hanging up the shoes with a dry cloth or rubber brush. Suede shoes should only be brushed with a very gentle motion. A dry ordinary rubber pencil eraser will help in clearing damp spots. Although there are shoe driers on the market, it is wise to have shoes re-lubricated.

Trim Twosome



Blouse and skirt.

By GRACE THORNCIFF

BLOND tweed makes a costume skirt that teams up smartly with sweater or blouse. A parade of plastic buttons in brown is half hidden in the inverted box pleat. There are welt seams at the low placed hip pockets and along the outer edge of the front pleat. A brown velvet leather belt slips through three loops. Worn with it may be a sleeveless white blouse edged in brown. A nice selection of separate and

Buttons down side seams and bordering split overskirts or slit hems are also popular.

Novelty types include Schiaparelli's embroidered and bone buttons, and Molyneux's flat, shiny black disc buttons used in vertical rows.

Look younger by trying a new make-up

By HELEN FOLLETT

IT'S fun to experiment with a new make-up pattern. Perhaps you are tired of the carnage you use on your cheeks and the slightly darker pigment with which you tint your mouth portals. If so try a new make-up.

A white-haired woman with clear complexion, had a facial treatment, told the operator to lay on the beautifying balm according to her own ideas. She was surprised to find that her skin was fluffed over with powder of pinkish lilac which, the operator said, would create a lovely pearly effect in daylight or at night. The rouge and lipstick were of deep, rich reds with a slight lilac cast. A silvery-blue eye shadow was used. Dark blue mascara was applied to the lashes. Each item was used sparingly. A violet nail polish was the last exotic touch.

Tan Fades

As the skin pales, as tan fades away, the powder must be of a lighter tone, preferably a pinky-cream. It is only sense to change make-up with the seasons as one's appearance changes.

Orange-reds are young and robust colours, look well on the young face. Older women require rouge and lipstick of softer, more modulated tones and should be stingy with these pulchritude aids. Anything applied to a skin that has softened and wrinkled is bound to stand out more boldly than on a skin that is fresh, blooming with vitality and health. There must be the subtle touch. Women of middle age and older cannot be too conservative in the use of make-up. A little will top some of the birthdays away; too much will add years to appearance.

SILHOUETTE



This new tubular silhouette cocktail dress with turtleneck-draped skirt is in navy silk striped surah. Bodice clips are rhinestones. It was designed in New York. London Express Service

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After ten years of experiments, a Wiesbaden, Germany, doctor asserts that he can determine the sex of unborn children by examining the mother's eyes.

The Lewistown, Maine, parents of a six months' old son announced that he, toddled with his mother's aid at the age of eight days, and now loves to run, not walk, about the house himself.

Scrapbooks
Mary Brooks Picken

Bibs for Babies Make Charming Gifts



lin dish towels. They measure approximately 18" x 36".

Take three of largest ones for bibs. Fold each into three sections, each 12" x 18", as in A. Cut on folds.

Mark Half Circle

Take a tea cup and mark a half circle in the top centre of each piece, as at B. Cut on neck. Round corners, as at C, if desired.

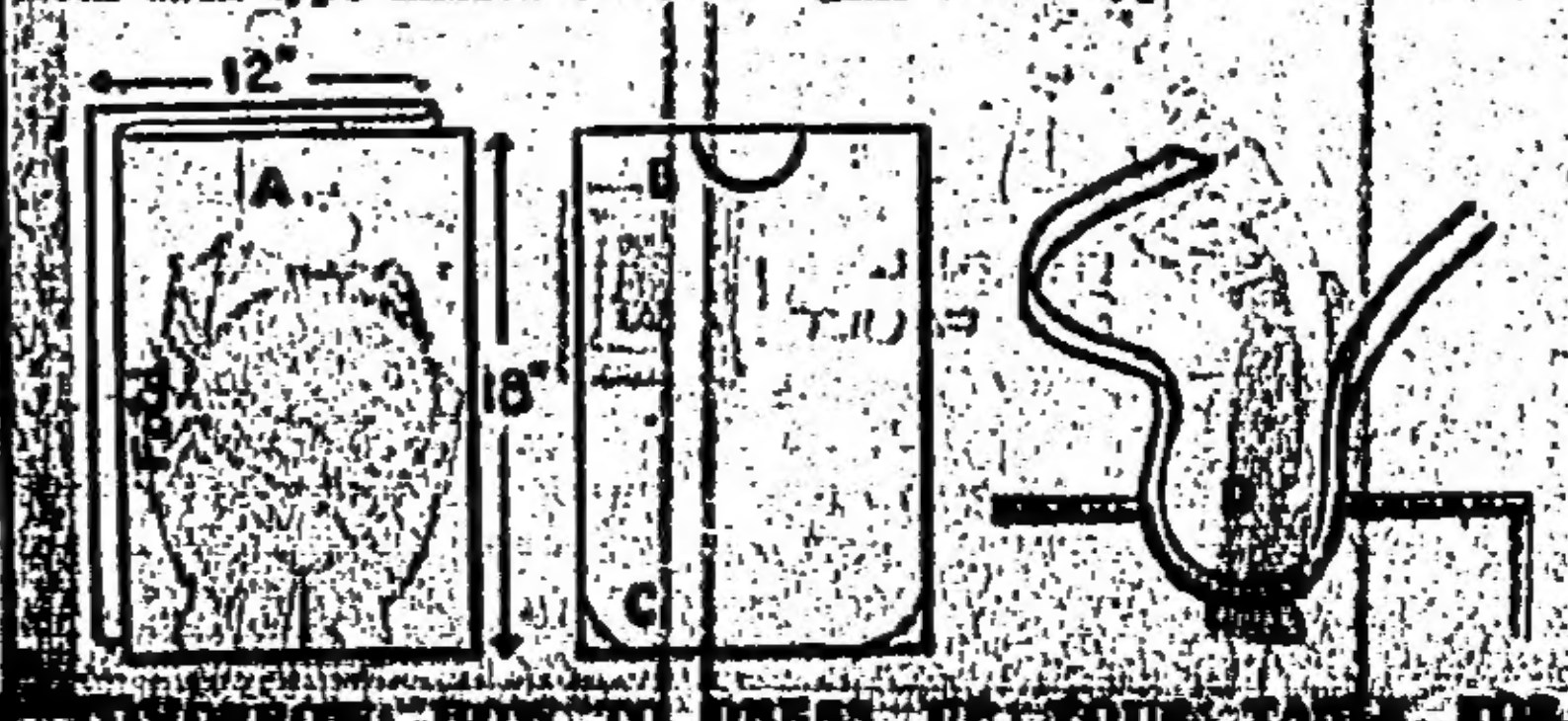
Hem all edges, except neckline, with a 1/4" hem. On neck edge, to prevent pulling out, turn raw edge 1/4" and stitch length of curve.

Cut matching-colour twill tape into 1/4 yd. lengths. Place crosswise centre of one's length to centre of neck curve. Stitch tape on curve. Then turn tape over seam and stitch again, as at D, so it will hold securely.

Initial for A Gift

If a set of bibs to be given as a gift, put baby's initial in one corner, as illustrated. Also the edge can be bound with contrasting bias tape. Do not embrother "Baby" because well-made bibs last beyond baby days.

Some like to take little terry guest towels, cut half circle at one end for neck, bind neckline with tape, and make bibs of these. Lovely indeed, and only a few more expensive than dish towel type.



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STRANGEST PROBLEM MAN HAS EVER FACED

IS ANOTHER WORLD WATCHING US?



THIS report covers just over three years—from mid-summer 1947 to autumn 1950.

It is clear now, beyond any possibility of reasonable doubt, that something has been continually haunting the upper skies.

Further, what has been seen is some sort of super-flying machine. The old-fashioned name is used because some of the craft are clearly not "planes" in any exact sense of the word.

The problem then arises, and it is one second to none in immediate importance to all the peoples of this world: Who controls them; who has made them; whence do they come?

Considering the craft and their performance, what can we learn about them, their possible crews, their possible home base?

Considering the way they have behaved toward us, can we make any suppositions as to the kind of mind that is behind these quick-fashing, enigmatic masks?

That is what this report has attempted to do.

First signs

On Tuesday, June 24, 1947, Kenneth Arnold, aged 32, a successful business man, was flying his own plane. He flies a lot, is a good pilot, and lives in Boise, Idaho.

He was returning there from Chehalis, Washington. But he made a detour. For pilots had been asked when flying in that district to keep a look-out.

A large air-transport carrying troops was suspected of having crashed near Mount Rainier, that snow mountain which stands up from the Rockies.

Arnold rose to nearly ten thousand feet and skirted the huge platform from which the peak itself rises.

The weather was so good that he could sit in his plane and give all his attention to the view. Then a flash caught his eye.

Nine objects were flying like a line of geese swerving in perfect formation in and out of the mountain peaks.

Arnold thought they must be some twenty miles from him.

For two minutes he watched them, timing himself by his cockpit clock. He estimated their speed by the rate at which they passed the landmarks—the snow peaks he knew.

The speed was about 1,000 miles an hour.

Story echoed

The course the cover took over the peaks was not sane human flying. But it was the shape that stunned the observer. They were unlike any plane he knew. They were discs—saucers.

Arnold talked about what he had seen as soon as he was down. Then the story began to find echoes.

A reporter in Boise believed he saw discs in the sky. So did Johnson, news editor of the Daily Statesman of the town.

A United Air Lines plane going out of Boise, also, before July was over, reported that the saucers had been seen.

Soon similar reports came from all over the west.

The Arizona Republic, a paper which publishes in the big resort town of Phoenix, reproduced two photographs taken by a Mr Rhodes of that city.

They showed a thing more like a black rubber heel with a small hole in the middle of it than a saucer.

It was certainly some sort of flying plane with the back of the heel acting as the prow.

Right ahead

The disc reported as having been seen by the United Air Lines pilot flying from Boise is worth particular attention. For it was seen on the afternoon of July 4.

That day—Independence Day—is, of course, a great one for Americans. So when at Portland, Oregon, and Seattle numbers of people saw discs flashing about high up in the sky—competent estimation gave the height as 40,000 feet—there was a fine mixture of comment. "The Government choosing the right day to show us we are all right!" "Some other Government, looking in to see if any of the home-team would like to do a bit of stratosphere racing!"

Experts who didn't get a look naturally said there was really nothing to see. One of them was the captain of the United Air Lines "ship" leaving Boise.

He didn't have to wait long. Close to sunset, right ahead of his plane appeared five "saucers."

The captain and his first officer rang for the plane's "hostess." The three watched the five objects, and after some minutes they saw four more join the original five.

This space-circus performed in front of the three observers for about ten minutes, and then disappeared.

The three reported what they had seen. The U.S. Air Force and the Navy both said they had nothing of that sort on the earth, still less in the sky.

Fragments

Meanwhile came what we may call the Maury Island mystery. The pilot Arnold was asked by a luncheon club at his home town of Boise to address them on the queer topic.

He mentioned a rumour that had come to him that the harbour patrol staff at the Washington port of Tacoma had not only "seen things." They had fragments of something dropped from the sky.

It was suggested to Arnold that he thought he ought to follow up this clue and he agreed. He started out early on July 30.

A couple of hours later he was rewarded, by sighting a flight of saucers. He snapped at them but got no convincing film record—only a few dots.

Arriving at Tacoma he rang up Dahl, one of the harbour patrol staff, who came along and gave his tale.

By GERALD HEARD

Author of "The Ascent of Humanity," "This Surprising World" and many other authoritative works on the mystery of the universe.

Maury Island is a small, uninhabited place, but three miles from Tacoma port. The harbour patrol boat was close to the island's shore. Dahl said he had two crew-men and his son with him. It was close on 2 p.m., June 21—the longest day of the year.

Dahl, at the wheel, suddenly noticed (this suddenness of the appearance is one of the odd but consistent features of these visits) half a dozen large discs directly above the boat and only some 2,000 feet (they judged) up in the air.

They first seemed to hang motionless. Then five could be seen to be moving slowly round one in the centre. That was moving too. But it was settling down, sinking toward the sea till it was judged to be no more than 500 feet above the water.

There it paused. The monsters made not a whisper, seemed to be about 100 feet across and each had a large hollow axis. They shone in the sun.

Off to sea

The crew—not unnaturally—were frightened and turned their boat to the beach.

Next there came—in the silence a boom, and the disc nearest the water suddenly let fall first a light-coloured and then a dark metal. Some of the fragments, on touching the water, raised steam.

The disc, so lightened, rose again. And the whole six went off out to sea.

This exit out over the Pacific seems, incidentally, a favourite closing line of their performances when on the U.S. West Coast. It raises the question whether they have no fear of the sea and regard it as a safe hide-out from human attention.

An oil-tanker, the Ticonderoga, for instance, on November 12, 1947, reported when 25 miles out at sea off the Oregon coast that two discs were sighted rushing along going out to sea, headed southwest—southwest that leads to the greatest space of empty water on the whole surface of the globe.

Dahl gave his superior officer, Crisman, fragments of the metal which he claimed had fallen from the sky.

Crisman showed Arnold the metal. Arnold was disappointed. He felt it was only lava rock.

They crashed

Continuing his investigations Arnold brought to Tacoma Captain E. J. Smith, the skipper of the albatross from Boise, who had, with his co-pilot and the liner's hostess, seen nine discs dancing ahead of his plane.

And Military Intelligence sent up in a bomber from Hamilton Field, a big air centre near San Francisco, Lieutenant Brown and a Captain Davidson.

The odd fragments were shown to them. Brown and Davidson did not seem impressed. When they took off to fly back to Hamilton Field

they took a fair-sized cardboard box of the stuff with them.

On the way their plane crashed and both were killed.

Odd features

The crashing had a number of odd features about it. Why did two other occupants, enlisted men, get safely out in parachutes 11 minutes before the plane itself crashed; and why, considering the time the pilots had between the engine catching fire and the plane crashing, was the plane itself not on fire—not slowed down to lessen the crash?

Captain Smith then got in touch with a Major Sanders of Air Intelligence. The major came along and heard Arnold's story. "The metal's just slag," he said, "and the story is a hoax."

That became the Defence Force's official answer to all reports for some time. And so the Disc Drama opened.

Very soon it became clear that the various official sources of air information were not interested in the question whether there alone had the sky as their patrolling ground.

Saucer reports came rapidly from 40 of the 48 States.

Idaho had a good one—a disc that swooped so low at Twin Falls that the treetops bowed to it.

Flashed in sun

The Cascade Mountains in Oregon brought, a companion piece. There a prospector looking up saw five or six discs flashing in the sun. He was able to range his telescope on them while they played aloft for fifty seconds.

What made his report doubly important was the fact that he was wearing a compass. Glancing at it he saw the needle in great agitation.

This is a small thing, but through it we shall be coming across hints that the powering of the discs may be a form of energy of which today we have only the faintest speculative notion—in other words they may be run by some type of magnetic power with which they resist the pull of gravity. But before getting out into such unsubstantial depths of

ultimate power let us summarize what now seemed presented to the common-sense of so many and so widely scattered observers.

To the fact that discs had been seen so frequently flashing in the sun was now to be added their evident presence at night.

The oddest thing about them so far was of course not their shape, nor even their speed. There could be a disc plane—a giant quilt is a shape for which plane designers believe there's something to be said—in the future.

Their speed, so far, seemed to be about 1,000 miles an hour—high, right over that Speed of Sound (up above the 700 miles an hour level) which so many theorists, experts, said we would never pass—till it leaked out we had in the Autumn of that Disc Year 1947.

Silent course

But, the oddest fact about the Saucer Surprise was not something it had, but the thing it didn't have—the old-fashioned human plane's most tell-tale feature, its torrent of "give-away" sound.

The discs were dumb. The tearing thing tore its way through the atmosphere as silently as though it were a beam of searchlight darting through a cloud.

Typical of this behaviour was a big flight, viewed in the stillness of the late evening in the "deep south" State of Louisiana. In perfect silence and yet at headlong speed, across the sky ran scores of such objects—and they were luminous.

So to their eerie silence was now added an eerie hum. At this point we come upon a new mystery—unknown airships—a completely different pattern from that of the discs—unknown airships, rushing headlong through the night emitting lights as strange as their strange shape.

And we come also on another fact, a fact as firm as the first fact is unsettling.

Close watch

Up till now we have had to depend largely on the evidence of people on the ground caught suddenly by surprise, or men in planes at equally large distances away.

What was most needed was observation made by trained fliers, abreast of their quarry on the level with the object they observed and really close to it.

All this was now to be granted.

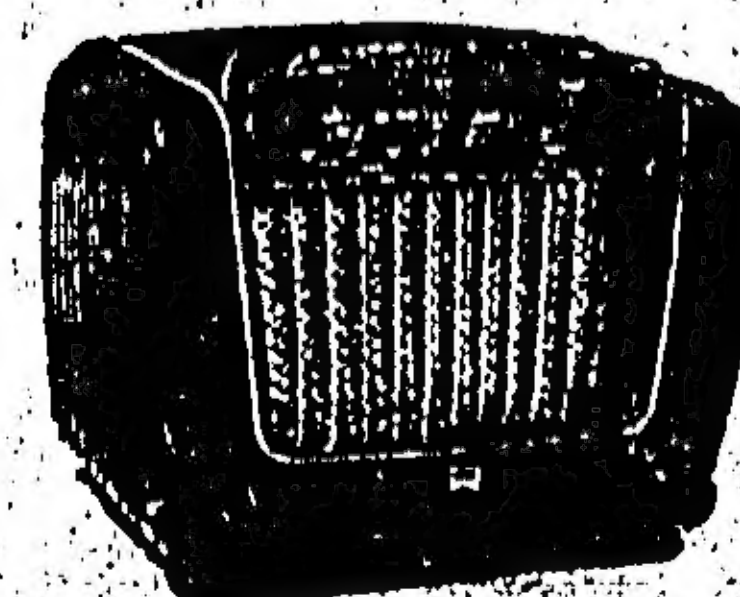
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THIS new year of the Second World War, 1942, opened upon us in an entirely different shape for Britain. We were no longer alone. At our side stood two mighty Allies. Russia and the United States were, though for different reasons, irrevocably engaged to fight to the death in the closest concert with the British Empire. This combination made a final victory certain unless it broke in pieces under the strain, or unless some entirely new instrument of war appeared in German hands. There was indeed a new instrument of war for which both sides were avidly groping. As it turned out it was into our already stronger hands that the secret of the Atomic bomb was destined to fall. A fearful and bloody struggle lay before us and we could not foresee its course, but the end was sure.

The Grand Alliance had now to face the onslaught of Japan. This had been long prepared and fell upon the British, and American fronts—if such they could be called—with cruel severity. At no moment could it be conceived that Japan would overcome the United States, but heavy forfeits had to be paid by them in the Philippines and other islands and by the British and the helpless Dutch in Southeast Asia and the Pacific Ocean. Russia, in mortal grip with the main German Army, suffered only from the Japanese assault by the diversion of Anglo-American energies and supplies which would have aided her. Britain and the United States had a long period of torturing defeats before them, which could not affect the final issue but were hard for their peoples to endure. Britain was naked because our strength was absorbed elsewhere, and the Americans had scarcely begun to gather their almost limitless resources. To us in the British Isles it seemed that everything was growing worse, although on reflection we knew that the war was won.

Enemy Withdraw

The third volume has described Gen. Auchinleck's long-prepared victory in the Western Desert and the relief of Tobruk. I had felt able, during my visit to Washington, to speak with confidence about his future operations. Rommel however contrived to withdraw his forces in good order to a position running south from Gazala. Here he was attacked by the XIIIth Corps under Gen. Gowill, and on December 11, after a three-day action, forced to retreat. Our mobile forces retired by moving round the Desert Flank to block his withdrawal along the coast roads leading to Benghazi. Bad weather, rough going, and above all maintenance difficulties caused this attempt to fail, and the enemy columns, though hard pressed, reached Benghazi, protected by the 4th British-Indian Division. The enemy's armour withdrew by the desert route through Mechili, followed by the 7th Armoured Division, reinforced later by the Guards Brigade.

It was hoped to repeat the success achieved a year before, when the Italian retreat southward from Benghazi had been cut off by a swift advance to Antelat, and a great haul of prisoners taken. It was found impossible however to supply in time a strong enough force, and the enemy were fully aware of their danger of being caught a second time. When therefore our leading troops reached Antelat they found it firmly held, and could make no headway. Behind them Rommel withdrew all his forces to Agheila, which he held against our attack while awaiting the strong Axis reinforcements to which he withdrew unmolested on January 7.

Gymnast

"Gymnast" it will be remembered was our plan to send 12 to 15 German divisions to North Africa. It was a bold scheme, but we had always

in the third volume of his war memoirs, Britain's wartime Prime Minister took readers up to that fateful December of 1941, when Japan struck against the United States and Britain simultaneously.

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of Rommel and an advance into Tripoli on the long road to Tunis might encourage one or both to take the plunge. "Super-Gymnast" was the far larger scheme of British and American intervention in French North Africa, which I had already found the President most responsive, and which I had set forth in my paper of December 15 as the main Anglo-American amphibious operation in the West for the campaign of 1942. The enemy's firm stand at Agheila and his orderly withdrawal to Agheila was therefore of far greater significance to me and to all my thought than the mere arrest of his westward movement in the desert. In fact, it was an adverse point in my whole theme of discussion with the President.

Full-dress Debate

The news soon arrived of the surrender of Bardia, Sollum, and Halfaya to our XXXth Corps. Eleven hundred of our own men were also liberated at this time. Nothing more of importance reached me before I flew back from Bermuda, and I certainly parted from the President with the feeling which afterwards proved fully justified, that our thought about a large North African venture was moving forward on the same lines. The news still continued good after I had reached London, though there would evidently be a longer pause than we had hoped before the new battle.

Immediately on my arrival, and a surge of business, I was forced to prepare myself for a full-dress Parliamentary debate. The immense world events which had happened since I last addressed the House of Commons at length had now to be presented to the nation. From what I could see of the newspapers, to the reading of which I gave at least an hour a day, there was a rising swell of discontent and apprehension about our evident unreadiness to meet the Japanese onrall in the East and Far East. To the public the Desert battle seemed to be going well, and I was glad to lay the facts before Parliament. I asked my colleagues to give me reasonable time.

Misfortune

Unfortunately, Gen. Auchinleck had underestimated his enemy's power of recuperation. Our recent misfortunes at sea had so weakened Admiral Cunningham's fleet that for a time it could not intervene effectively on the sea route to Tripoli, and supplies were reaching Rommel freely. On January 21 he launched a reconnaissance in force, consisting of three columns each of about a thousand motorised infantry supported by tanks. These columns, aided their way through the gaps between our widely extended forces, and entered the desert to block the enemy's way from Antelat to Meus.

Up to this point no reason had ever been suggested to me to expect misfortune. On the contrary, I had been told of an impending British offensive. Our turn of the corner into Tripoli might have been delayed, but Auchinleck seemed confident for the future.

ordered yet. Non-fighting personnel in the circumstances are being moved eastwards as far as possible by night. Should Benghazi be evacuated evacuation of Derna will follow.

Rommel, having established his main force at Meus, had the option of striking north-west to Benghazi or north-east towards Mechili. He did both. His intention was to capture Benghazi, but he also sent a force north-east as a feint against our communications. The feint was highly successful. Our projected counter-attack southwards by a part of the 4th Indian Division from Benghazi, the Armoured Division, and the 7th Armoured Division, which had relieved the 7th and 13th Divisions, and the Guards Brigade from Charraba was hurriedly cancelled, Benghazi was evacuated, and the whole XIIIth Corps fell back to the line Gazala-Bir Hakeim.

Desert Tactics

Rommel had again proved himself a master of desert tactics, and out-witting our commanders, regained the greater part of Cyrenaica. This retreat of nearly three hundred miles ruined our hopes and lost us Benghazi and all the stores Gen. Auchinleck had been gathering for his hoped-for offensive in the middle of February. Rommel must have been told of this overwhelming rout, and he supported them with whatever troops he could muster. Gen. Ritchie reassembled the crippled XIIIth Corps and other forces which had been sent forward in the neighbourhood of Gafila and Tobruk. Here pitilessly, and pursued, gassed, and glared at each other until the end of May, when Rommel was able to strike again.

This extraordinary reversal of fortune and the severe military disaster arose from the basic facts that the enemy had gained virtually free passage across the Mediterranean to reinforce and nourish his armour, and had brought a large part of his Air Force back from Russia. But the tactical events on the spot have never been explained. The decisive day was January 23, when the enemy broke through to Meus. Thereafter there were confusion, changes of plan, failure to wrest the initiative from Rommel. The Guards Brigade could not understand why they were not allowed to make a stand, but the orders to retreat were reiterated and imperative. The 4th British-Indian Division was given no useful part to play.

Tank Strengths

Only recently has it come to light from enemy records that the enemy tank strength was superior to ours. The Afrika Corps had 120 tanks in action and the Italian 80 or more. The 80 tanks that were reported in their initial attack were doubtless supported by the remainder, and the total was more than the 180 of the 1st Armoured Division. Nevertheless the ineffective use made of the division, and the explanation, was the lack of Auchinleck's dispatch. Newly arrived from the United Kingdom, he had no experience of the desert, and was not a general commander. He was a staff officer, and his staff was not a general staff. It was necessary to turn to the House of Commons for the answer.

of our tanks was aggravated by the great shortage of anti-tank weapons, compared with the Germans.

All these statements require careful scrutiny. The 1st Armoured Division was one of the finest we had. It consisted largely of men who had more than two years' training and represented as high a standard of efficiency as any to be found in our Regular forces. They had landed in Egypt in November. Before they left England every effort had been made, in accordance with all the latest information and experience, to make their vehicles desert-worthy. After the usual overhaul in the Cairo workshops this division moved across the desert to Antelat, which it reached on January 6. In order to preserve the tracks, its tanks were carried on special transporters across the whole desert, and arrived at Antelat unworn and in good order. Yet without having been deeply committed into action this fine division lost over a hundred of its tanks. The very considerable petrol supplies which had been brought forward were abandoned in its precipitate retreat, and many of its tanks were left behind because they ran out of fuel.

Reflections

When we remember the cost, time, and labour the creation of an entity like an armoured division, with all its experts and trained men involved, the effort required to transport it round the Cape, the many preparations made to bring it into battle, it is indeed grievous to see the result squandered through such mismanagement. Still more are these reflections painful when our failure is contrasted with what the Germans accomplished, although over four hundred miles from their base at Tripoli. From their base at Tripoli, in probing the British, he misled into thinking that the technical inferiority of our tanks was the only reason for this considerable and far-reaching reverse.

Two Facts

I was expected to make a full statement to Parliament about my mission to Washington and all that had happened in the five weeks I had been away. Two facts stood out in my mind. The first was that the Grand Alliance was bound to win the war in the long run. The second was that a vast, measureless array of disasters approached us in the onslaught of Japan. Everyone could see with intense relief that our life as a nation and Empire was no longer at stake. On the other hand, the fact that the sense of mortal danger was largely removed set every critic, friendly or malevolent, free to point out the many errors which had been made. Moreover, many felt it their duty to improve our methods of conducting the war and thus shorten the fearful tale. I was myself profoundly disturbed by the defeat which had already fallen upon us, and no one knew better than I that these were but the beginnings of the deluge.

Wide Goodwill

On the other hand, I was well aware of the strength of my position. I could count on the goodwill of the people for the share I had had in their survival in 1940. I did not undertake the broad, deep tide of national fidelity that bore me forward. The War Cabinet and Chiefs of Staff showed me the highest loyalty. I was sure of myself. I made it clear, as occasion required, to those about me that I would not consent to the slightest impairment of my highest authority and responsibility. The Press was full of suggestions that I should remain Prime Minister and make the speeches but I declined the actual control of the war to someone else. I resolved to yield nothing to my quarters, to take the prime and direct personal responsibility upon myself, and to demand a vote of Confidence from the House of Commons. I had been told that the House of Commons would not vote a vote of Confidence for a man who had been defeated in the field. I had been told that the House of Commons would not vote a vote of Confidence for a man who had been defeated in the field. I had been told that the House of Commons would not vote a vote of Confidence for a man who had been defeated in the field.



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hopes soon to be swept away. The British people can face peril or misfortune with fortitude and buoyancy, but they bitterly resent being deceived or finding that those responsible for their affairs are themselves dwelling in a fool's paradise.

In spite of the shocks and stresses which each day brought, I did not grudge the twelve or fourteen hours of concentrated thought which 10,000 words of original composition on a vast, many-sided subject demanded, and while the flames of adversity war in the Desert licked my feet, I succeeded in preparing my statement and appreciation of our case.

New Ministry

At this time there was a widely expressed wish for the setting up of a Ministry of Production, with its chief in the War Cabinet. In July, 1941, before starting on my voyage to meet President Roosevelt, I had argued at length in the House that this was not at that time necessary. But the current of opinion still flowed, and was strengthened, not only by events, but by the positions of the men and offices involved. All centred on Lord Beaverbrook, who exerted immense influence upon the highest American circles concerned. Since he had left the Ministry of Aircraft Production, for that of Supply there had been much friction, some of it in the open, on the frontiers of these two departments, and I hoped not only to restore harmony but improve results by joining these two great branches of our armament production under a Minister of Production of War Cabinet rank, which he already held. While all this was still revolving in my mind a new figure appeared upon the scene.

Stafford Cripps

Sir Stafford Cripps had long wished to conclude his mission in Russia. The post of Ambassador to the Soviets, has been found extremely unattractive by all British and Americans who have been called upon to fill it, both during and after the war. During the period before Hitler's attack ranged Russia with us, and entirely ignored in Moscow. He had hardly ever had access to Stalin, and Molotov held him and all other Allied Ambassadors at a frigid arm's-length. The shift of the Soviet diplomatic capital from Moscow to Kuibyshev in the crisis of December had only reproduced the unpleasant and unfruitful conditions of Moscow in an aggravated form. When so much was being done by direct communication between the President and Stalin, and now between the President and Stalin, the functions of an Ambassador became increasingly separated from the substance of the business. Sir Stafford had already, when at home at the time of the German invasion, expressed to me his wish to be relieved, but he accepted my assured view that he should not leave at the first shock of Russia's agony. Nearly eight months had passed since then, and there was certainly nothing inappropriate in a minister of the quality of Sir Stafford Cripps, who had been in the control of our political life, to take the post of Ambassador to the Soviets.

On January 23 he arrived home from Russia. He was at this time an important political figure, and from the Labour party, by whom he had been expelled for extremism some years earlier.

It seemed to me that his appointment to the Ministry of Supply would be in best accord with the public interest, and might form a part of the major design for creating a Ministry of Production. Sir Stafford and Lady Cripps came to luncheon at Chequers on January 25, and he and I had a long and agreeable talk in the afternoon. When I made him a definite proposal and explained the position which the office in question would have in the general sphere of war production he said he would reflect upon it and let me know.

In The House

On January 27 I laid out case before the House. I could see they were in a querulous temper, because when I had asked as soon as I got home that my forthcoming statement might be electrically recorded so that it could be used for broadcasting to the Empire and the United States, objection was taken on various grounds which had no relation to the needs of the hour. I therefore withdrew my request, although it would not have been denied in any other Parliament in the world. It was in such an atmosphere that I rose to speak.

I gave them some account of the Desert battle. I presently came to the larger issue of our nakedness in the Far East.

I had to burden the House for nearly two hours. They took what they got without enthusiasm. But I had the impression that they were not unconvinced by the argument. In view of what I saw coming towards us I thought it well to end by putting things at their worst, and making no promises while not excluding hope.

The Debate

The debate then ran on for three days. But the tone was to me unexpectedly friendly. There was no doubt what the House would do. My colleagues in the War Cabinet, headed by Mr. Attlee, sustained the Government case with vigour and even fierceness. I had to wind up on the 29th. At this time I feared that there would be no division. I tried by hints to urge our critics into the Lobby against us without at the same time offending the now thoroughly reconciled assembly. But nothing that I dared say could spur any of the disaffected figures in the Conservative, Labour, and Liberal parties into voting. Luckily when the division was called the Vote of Confidence was challenged by the Independent Labour party, who numbered three. Two were required to tellers, and the result was 46 to 1. Such a fuss had been made by the Press that telegrams of relief and congratulation flowed in from all over the Allied world. The nearest vote from any American friends, at the White House, I had sent congratulations to the President on his splendid victory. I had been called to be in the same decade with you.

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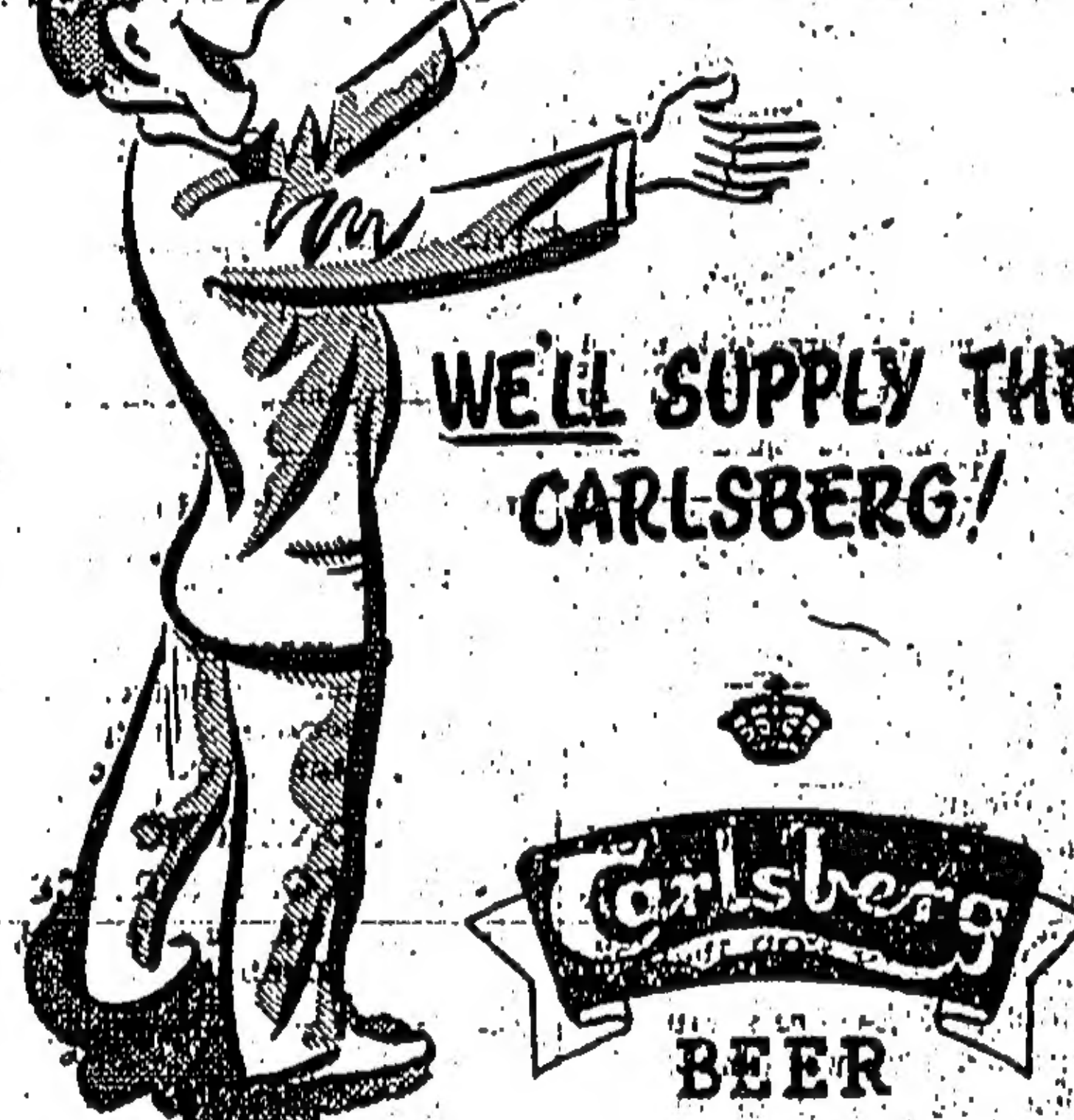
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Through Tickets (8 Races) — \$18 may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Club, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race.

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The Branch Offices and the Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by its Order of the 26th day of October, 1950, made an order limiting the time for creditors and others to claim in the estate of the above testator to the 15th day of November, 1950.

All creditors and others are to send in their claims, supported by evidence, to the Probate Office, 221A Nathan Road, Kowloon, on or before the 15th day of November, 1950.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

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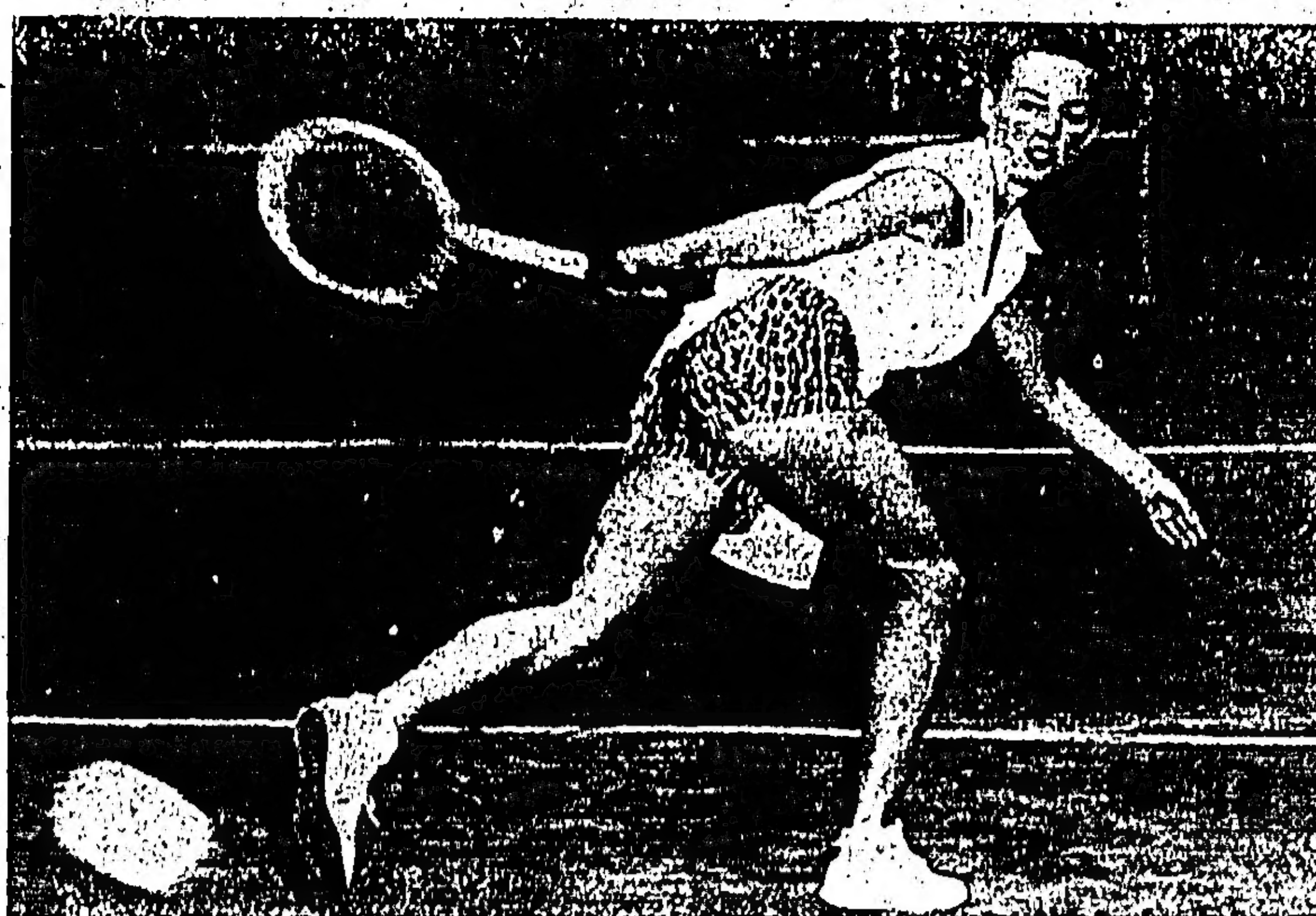
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Even "Mr" Brown Is Just "Skipper" Now

One of the things that has become very noticeable about the present MCC tour of Australia is the complete disappearance within the cricket party of any distinction between amateur and professional.

In earlier tours the professionals—or at any rate the juniors among them—used to address the unpaid as "Mr". Now that is a part of history. Everyone is Christian-named alike, except F. R. Brown, who is addressed as "skipper".

By the time this tour is over some of the amateurs may be wishing they were professionals. £250 is not very much pocket-money for seven months of accepting and returning hospitality these days.

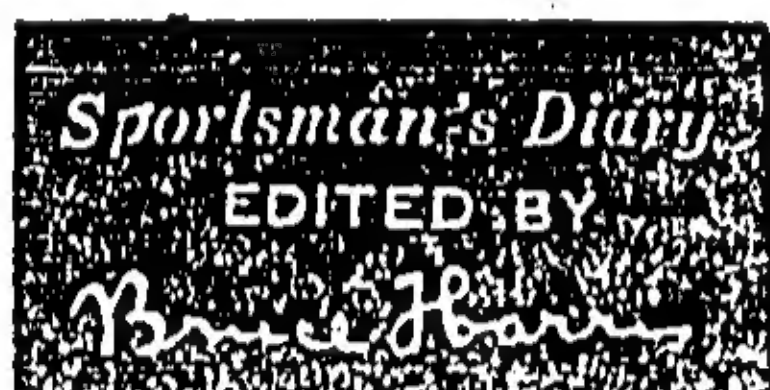
Professionals, although they are only allowed £2 a week on land, are much better off. They can draw against the £800 bonus due to them at the end of the tour.

If all 17 players were paid alike, I am sure the amateurs would not decline the money with thanks.

OFFER DECLINED

When Corinthians recently made a come-back at the Oval, it was stated that this famous old football club would play a few more matches. Yet they have had to refuse the offer of a match that could have helped them in their bid for revival.

Hibernians, whose league match that Saturday had been postponed because they have three men in the Scottish team playing Wales at Cardiff, suggested that the Corinthians should take a side to Easter Road, Edinburgh. The match would have been a big attraction especially as the only other



match in Edinburgh that Saturday was reserved for the Tynesians, the Hearts ground, where Hibernians reserves were visitors.

News that three Cambridge coaches and only one from Oxford will train the Oxford crew for the next University Boat Race is not really as surprising as it might seem.

In rowing it is the particular style taught that matters most. All four coaches are from Eton because Oxford will row with the old Eton and Leander length, swing, and fixed rowlocks. Cambridge will use swivels.

Five of the last Oxford crew were Etonians, though one—Christopher Davidge—had to drop out through illness.

Davidge has been re-elected president and wants to continue the Eton influence. Thus two of his coaches, M. A. Nicholson and Tom Brocklebank, are masters at Eton. Third coach, J. A. McNabb, was at school there, as was the solitary Oxford coach, John Garton.

RIGHT WING BROTHERS

There are already two Flood brothers—both right wing—on Southampton FC's books. Now a third brother is starting on the same trail.

Eldest brother, John Flood, played for New Forest, Hampshire and England as a schoolboy, and was impressive recently in the Star's XI in a players' benefit match at Brighton. Bill Flood, a right-winger like John, played for New Forest and Hampshire when at school, and is on the Saints' list as an amateur.

Third right-winging brother is Dick Flood, who was a success

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FOOTBALL IS OFTEN ONE LONG RIOT IN CALCUTTA SAYS RUSSELL SPURR

Calcutta policemen can at last take a breather. Their armoured cars are going back to the garages, their rifles and tear-gas guns back in their racks. For the Bengal football season is almost over. The British little knew, when they introduced their national game to India seventy years ago, how the young seed would blossom in tropical ground.

They never realised—and nor did the Calcutta police—the enthusiasm that would grow up around the fleet, barefoot football teams in the steamy, hothouse climate of Bengal, or visualised hysterical fans backing up their favourites with bombs and knives.

"The most terrifying experience in the world is playing before a Calcutta crowd," said one Bengal footballer after a visit to Britain. "The British spectators cheer so nicely and are seldom rude. They applaud clever play even when it goes against them. But some of our people look like tigers at feeding time. They are out for blood."

Huge reinforcements of police are drafted to Calcutta football finals to keep order. Plain clothes agents mingle with the crowds to report sudden disturbances. Picked squads directed by radio rush in to separate rival supporters before the knives begin to flash. Others try to stop the hail of missiles, ranging from bottles to fire crackers, that hurtle on to the field at every unpopular decision by the referee.

LINESMAN LIQUIDATED

A few days ago a linesman who caught a star player handling the ball was stabbed to death by an infuriated fan. A bomb was thrown at a "friendly" match when the referee ordered a forward off the field. It failed to explode.

Some referees are regularly taken home in an armoured car and, popular players appeal from time to time for police protection.

The Bengal teams still manage to play football—and play it very well. They are mostly made up of amateurs, with a sprinkling of professionals who make a living in a variety of part-time jobs. They are, of course, too high caste to work in the traditional groundsman's posts; their linesmen and referees must not be "Untouchables" either. There is still the vague Hindu fear of caste-pollution, even in football. India's FA Cup, the Indian

Football Association Shield, is the event of the year. It is played in the miniature "Wembley" on Calcutta's central park. There is usually trouble. It was expected to be worse this year, however, because the contestants were Muslim and Hindu teams.

The spectator death-roll of about two or three, the average for this match, was estimated at several dozen. The police, who always have to be far away from the crowd, brought live ammunition as well.

The authorities considered banning the match but gave up when football fans threatened a combined, bigger riot.

TICKET FORGERIES

Forty thousand people packed the stadium. The new one, to take 100,000 is not yet ready, so

more than 60,000 were left outside. Selves did incredible business with black market, forged and stolen tickets. Poles of inspectors scrutinised tickets and managed to detect several hundred forgeries.

Posses of perspiring constables patrolled the stadium walls. But when the gates were closed six hours before the game, the turnstiles showed 3,540 more people had been admitted than the number of tickets sold.

Snake charmers and conjurers on the field amused the bored, and "cheer leaders" with bands and banners, spurred on the excited.

The result was an anti-climax. The game was a walk-over. One Hindu is reported to have called out: "Bravo, we've doped them" but he was immediately arrested and hurried away.

It Was A Punch From A Dead Hand That Felled Finch

Says RAYMOND GLENDENNING

This is the story of a boxing title that was won by a punch from a "dead" hand. The title is the British Middleweight championship, and the hand belongs to Randolph Turpin, youngest of the three famous fighting brothers from Leamington.

It was a right-hand punch that knocked out Albert Finch at Harringay and recaptured the title for the Turpin for the Turpin family.

How many people who saw that explosive blow knew it came from a hand that had threatened to cut short young Turpin's glittering career? The hand that has brought fame and fortune to young Randy was broken twice. When he stepped into the ring with sparring partners he winced in agony every time he used it.

FACED UP TO IT

It was a disastrous prospect that faced George Middleton, the man who manages and guides the fighting Turpins. But George doesn't give in easily, and for nine long months Turpin went through an elaborate process of transferring his killer punch from the right to the left hand.

The nerves of the right hand were denuded by injections, and Randolph had to learn a new technique of punching by twisting the wrist at the last second.

This is where Albert Batt, factory worker and part-time physiotherapist, comes into the Turpin story. To get that left hand working with the deadly effect used at Harringay, Randolph had to spend hundreds of hours on his back.

Batty has a pet theory that all the shoulder and arm muscles should be loosened so that they co-ordinate rapidly, and body follows arm as arm follows glove to get perfect timing.

A table and a couple of 4lb. weights were the only equipment needed for this development. He had Turpin lying on a table with his head overhanging one end and a weight in each hand.

It was tough going at the start, but Randolph was still

game. Now it is one of his favourite pastimes, and he does it thirty times just for fun!

A Southampton motor mechanic and Sunday school teacher was one of the sixteen amateur boxers who represented Great Britain and Ireland in the international boxing match at the Empire Pool. He is Ken Lawrence, member of a family of five brothers and four sisters.

Elmington was born Albert Jones but fought a successful battle to become the country's leading fly-weight. Now, 22, Jones weighed only 114lb. at birth. For several childhood years he was in hospital and was turned down as unfit by the Army. He is the eldest of a family of twelve.

Modern soccer players are accused of many things these days. One of the latest charges is that the unusually large crop of injuries is because they are undertrained.

One famous ex-player and manager of a leading club says they are pampered too much, and some part-timers are too busy thinking of making money outside the game to take their training seriously. "Powder puff" players was his disdainful description of some men.

That's strong talk. And here's a strong man to answer the charge. Wilf Copping, Arsenal and England left-half, now training Southend, is still known as the Iron Man of football—remember the day he took the Hibernians on almost single-handed in that famous battle at Highbury in 1934?

Listen to Wilf, the man who refused to be hurt: "That is a lot of nonsense. The players today are every bit as tough as they were in my time. Many men have to be part-timers, but the majority of them are as tough and as game as the full-timers."

I leave it at that.

World Billiards Championship To Be Revived

London, Oct. 31.

The World Professional Billiards Championship, which was last held in 1934, will be revived during the Festival of Britain next year.

The final will be played at Leicester Square Hall on September 3, 1951. The title has been vacant since the Australian Walter Lindrum defeated Joe Davis in the last Championship.

Mr. J. C. Bisset, the Chairman of the Billiards Control Council, said recently that he had received a letter from the New Zealand Billiards Association, asking that the world

Welsh stalwart Jack Walter, who led Wales against the 1925 All Blacks, is hoping for a Rugby comeback. The last time Newport had an invincible season was under his captaincy in 1922-23. Now this year Jack is the club's champion. So far Newport have taken such famous clubs as Cardiff, Swansea, Bristol and Gloucester in their stride.

In his time he played international Rugby in the centre stand-off as well as five-eight against the New Zealanders. The sight of Jack's head popping up and down in the scrum was a sight to be remembered.

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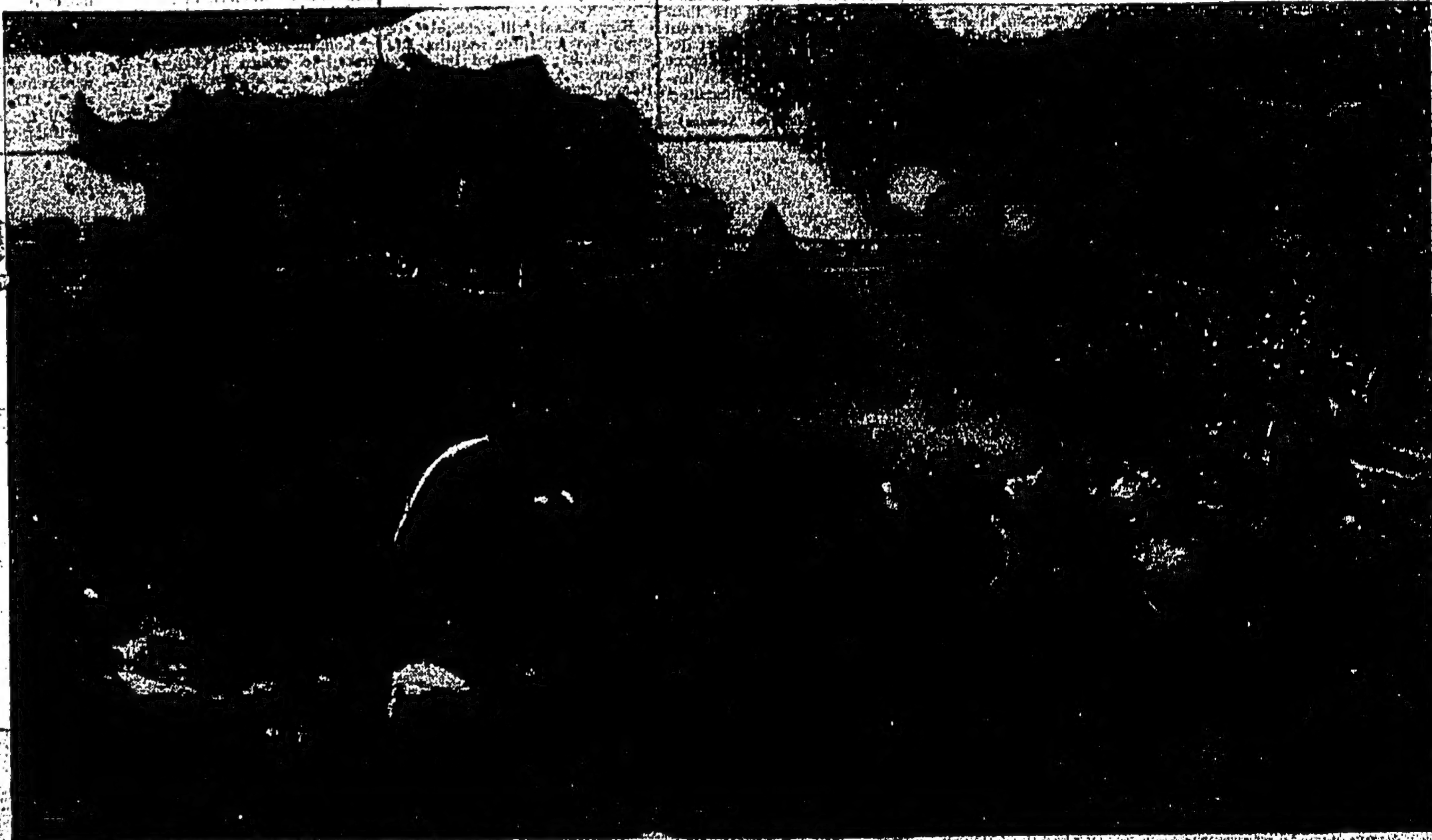
THE formally-attired penguins of Antarctica have any goal in life—and why shouldn't they?—it's to live in the lush splendour of the newly-built Penguin House in the Bronx Zoo, New York.

Ideally refrigerated at 53 degrees, the US\$75,000 building contains every comfort for its flight-less inmates. The headquarters of the bird world have their own private swimming pool, 24 feet long and eight feet wide. Thick glass panels allow the pampered Blackfoots, Kings and Gentooes to look out at the spectators. A wide concrete ledge simulating an iceberg and backed by a cobalt-blue sky keeps the tenants from becoming homesick. Behind the frosty panes there is a mass of machinery for cooling the air and recirculating purified water.

Visitors view the penguins through triple-glass panes which are kept free of moisture. The public space is kept dim in contrast to the brightly-lighted Antarctic interior. A disguised incline at centre of shelf offers traction for the birds to climb ashore.

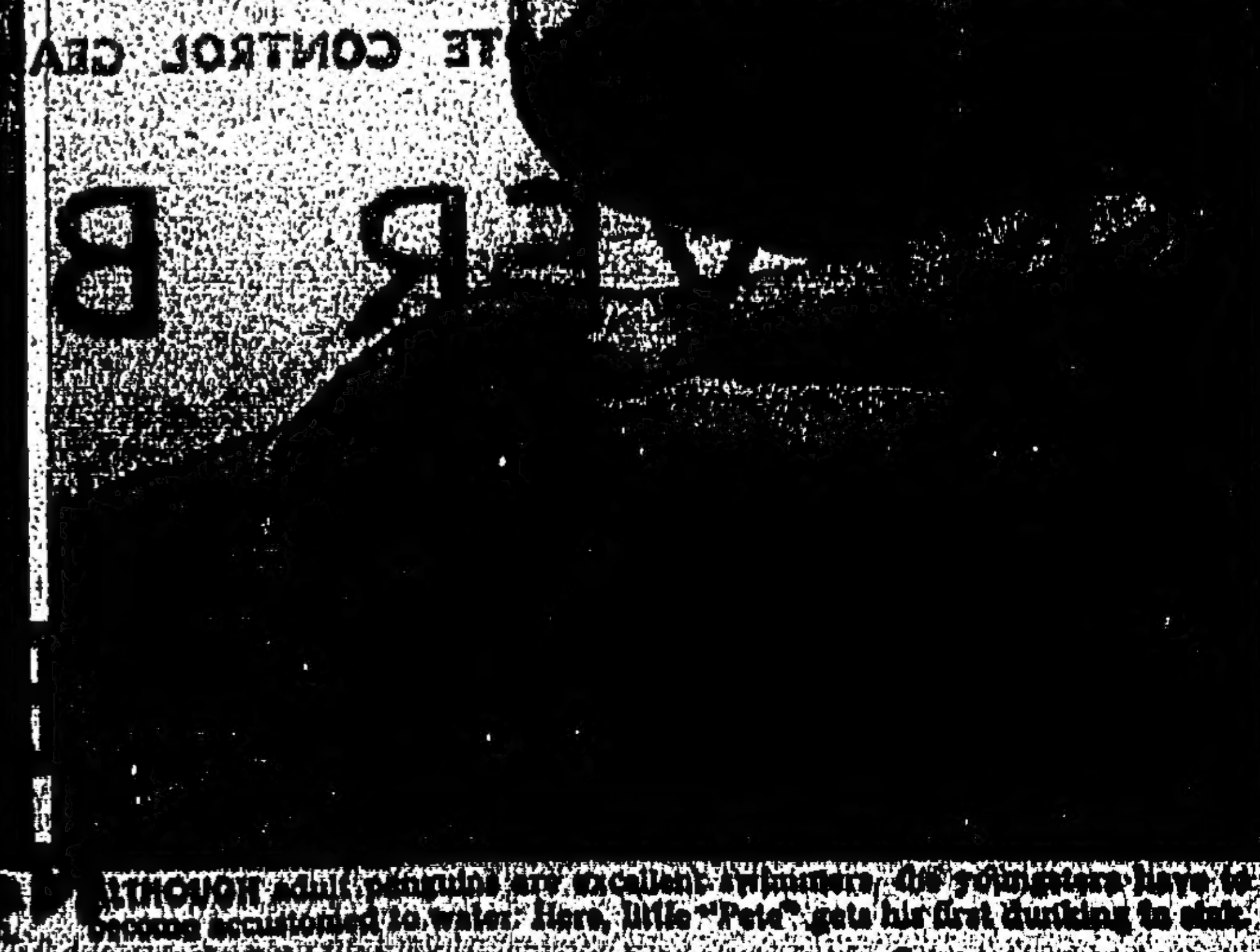
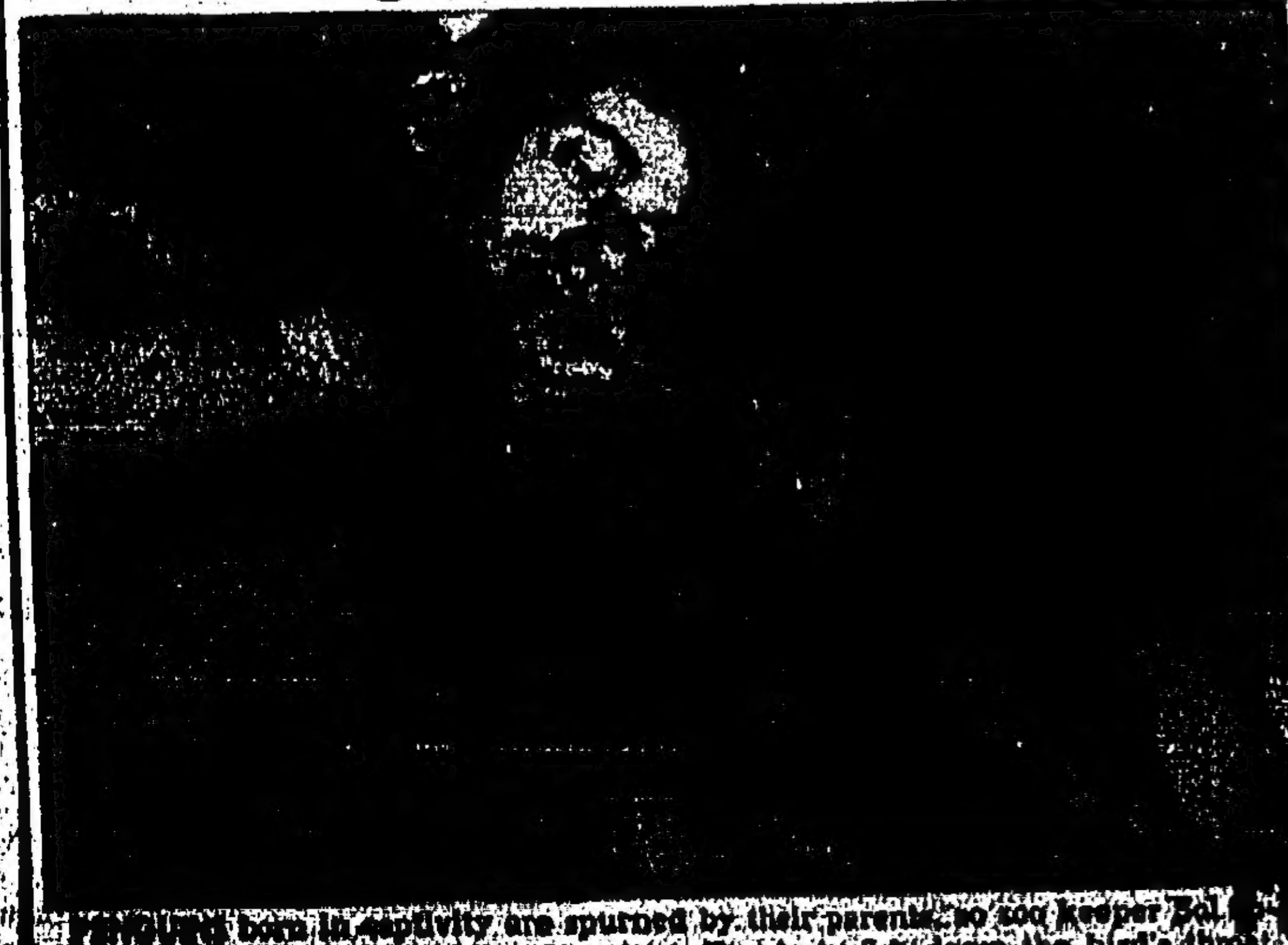


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Teaching a Baby Penguin the Facts of Life Becomes the Job of a Zoo Keeper When the Youngster's Mother Refuses to Take Care of Him



Although adult penguins are excellent swimmers, 45 youngsters have become accustomed to water. Here, little 'Pete' gets his first dunking in the pool.

MEN RUSHING TO BUY SIX SUITS AT ONCE

Housewives, too, join in the big West End rush for woollen goods

by EILEEN ASCROFT

LONDON. A SURVEY of 12 leading London stores reveals soaring sales of women's and men's outerwear, wool underclothing, blankets, carpets, woollen furnishing materials, utility furs and knitting wools.

It is the male shopper who is leading the rush, sensed by stories of woollen suits rising to £80 and the possible shortage of good utility clothes.

Ever since increases in raw wool prices were announced and it became clear that the cost of many woollen articles would rise, stores have reported increased sales and more customers.

OFF THE PEG

One large store, catering for both men and women, reports more male customers than women through its doors during the last weeks. Men's suits are selling three times as many as normally, men who usually buy one suit are buying two, in some cases four, and many customers are ordering six or seven at a time instead of their usual one a season.

There is a tendency, too, for the former made-to-measure customer to stock up with several good quality ready-to-wear suits off the peg.

Men's overcoats are selling in three times their normal numbers. Supplies of gaberdine raincoats and West of England dual-purpose coats cannot meet the demand.

Many men who do not need new suits at present are laying in stocks of suit lengths, particularly medium-weight worsteds and suitings at £4-£7 a yard.

"We've never been so busy in the whole history of the store," reports one women's coat buyer.

The demand for top utility coats is enormous and coats from well-known houses are cleared almost as soon as they are put on the stands. Many women now buy two coats instead of one, an expensive model and a utility.

Second demand from women is for woollen underwear. Best quality vests and panties are supplied on small quotas, and most stores have not been able to meet a quarter of the demand.

Buyer of a Bond Street lingerie department reports an enormous sale of housecoats in pure wool, and says many shoppers tend to buy whole trousseaux these days instead of one item only. In the gown department of the same store women are ordering as many as six wool dresses at a time, oblivious of future fashion changes.

BLANKETS BOOM

So big has been the demand for wool coats, costumes and frocks in one shop that supplies have become a serious problem. "Difficult these days," the buyer told me, "is not to get customers but merchandise."

Blankets are household top-sellers. A check on three of the biggest blanket departments in the West End reveals doubled sales and barely enough utility to meet demand.

Women know that when present stocks are exhausted prices are bound to rise, and unless the Board of Trade raises the ceiling prices, stocks may become very scarce, as many manufacturers will not be able to produce within those prices and pay the enormously increased price for raw wool.

I asked three women in the blanket-section of an Oxford Street store why they were buying. The first said she was buying routine replacements; the second: "My husband says pure wool will disappear at reason-

able prices," and the third: "I don't really need them, but you never know. When the last war started I had no stocks of anything."

FUR COATS, TOO

The buyer of another store told me they had had to institute an unofficial rationing scheme for blankets to prevent large buying up of utility for later resale. The same store reports very early Christmas buying of toys, caused by fear of rising prices, and big sales of baby's wool layettes and prams due to possible future shortage of wool and metals.

Utility fur coats have never been in such demand. Women know that prices will shoot up after present stocks are exhausted by as much as 40 per cent.

One of the biggest fur stores in London has managed to meet demands to date, but they hope it will ease soon, as future supplies are uncertain. The managing director told me today that he prepared normal stock to last the whole winter, but when the rush started it was cleared in 10 days. Chief request is for hard-wearing full-length coats.

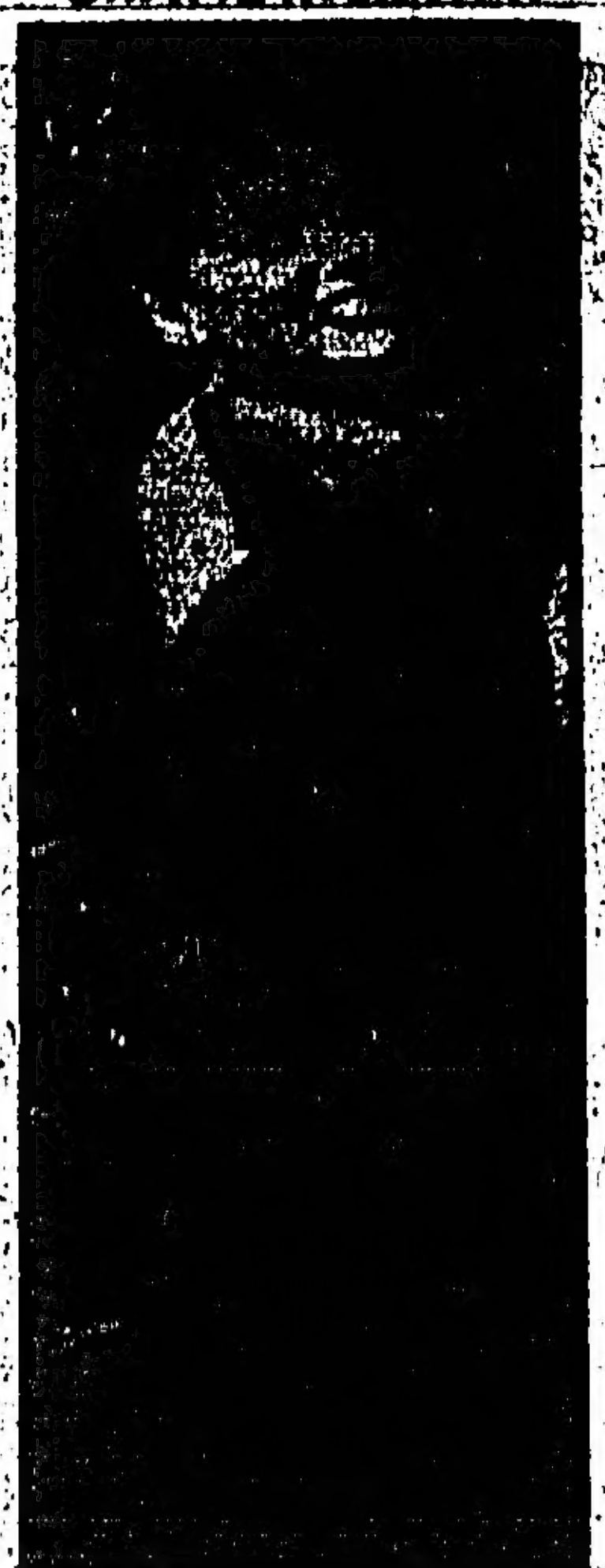
AND CARPETS

From the Strand come reports of a large increase in the sale of carpets. People who have postponed renewals since the war are hurrying to buy them now. And a Knightsbridge store comments that customers are laying in stocks of knitting wools.

Buyers on the whole are not worried by this rush of public buying. After last year's warm winter and a bad, wet summer, they are glad to see business brisk again. Supplies are their biggest headache, but at present they are able to meet most demands. And they all agree that money shortage is an important brake on panic hoarding.

(London Express Service)

MOST GLAMOROUS GRANDMOTHER



Film actress Gloria Swanson has been named the United States' "most glamorous grandmother" by the U.S. National Federation of Grandmothers Clubs. Here she is handling a slap to William Holden in her most recent film, "Sunset Boulevard."

Marlene Dietrich, now in London for a new film, gets the title of "the most glamorous grandmother." (London Express Service)

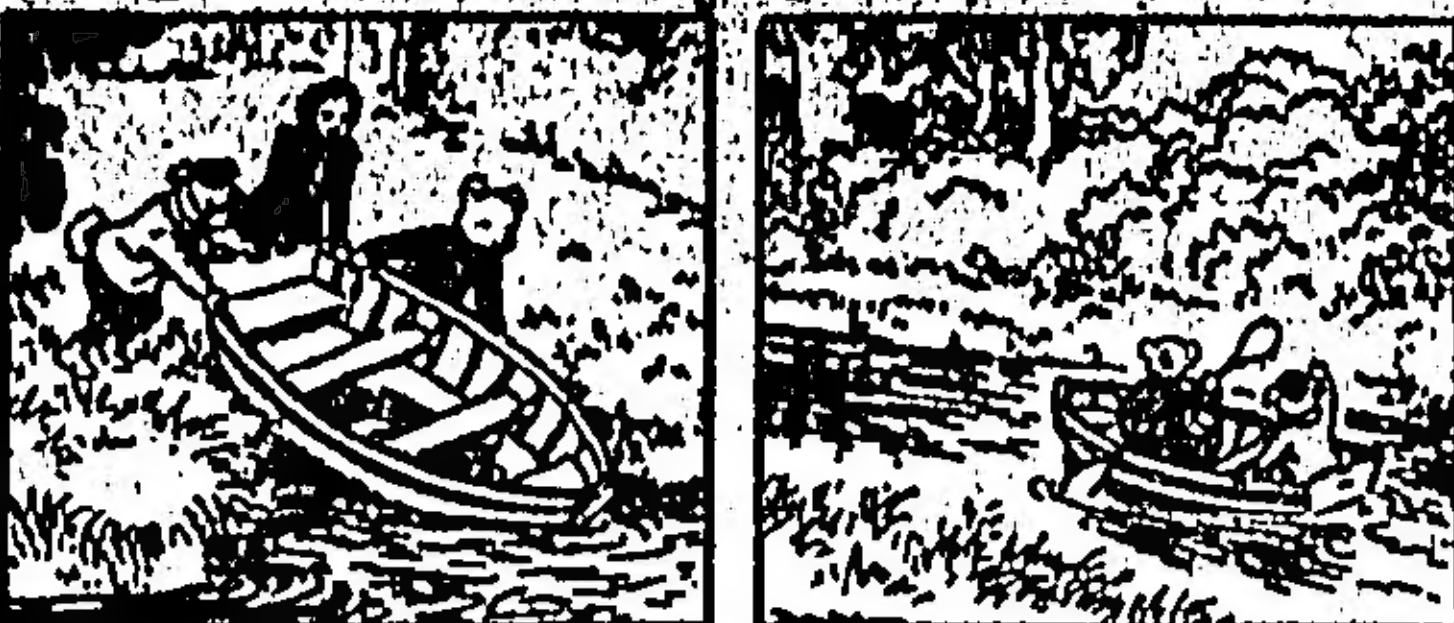
BOY KING FLIES HOME

Leaving England unexpectedly to return to his own country was 15-year-old King Faisal of Iraq, who is at school at Harrow. His new home with his mother, Queen Aliyah, who has had a serious operation in London.

King Faisal will probably be away two or three months. But his studies will not be interrupted. An English tutor in Baghdad will give him lessons according to his present curriculum at Harrow.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Rupert's Climbing Adventure—9



Beryl is so relieved to know that there is nothing the matter that she helps the two girls to turn the little boat over and then holds it steady while they get in. For a time they paddle gently down the middle of the stream. When they have gone some distance Beryl points out: "There's somebody whistling over there in my small boat."

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A Very Remarkable Island

—On It, Grew Some Very Strange Trees—

By MAX TRELL

"YES," General Tin was saying to Knarf and Hanid, the Shadows with the turned-about names, "I once lived on an island where the most remarkable plants and flowers and trees used to grow. Like apple and peach and plum trees," said Hanid. "Like geranium plants, and rose bushes and plants like that!" said Knarf. General Tin shook his head. "Nothing like those common kind of plants and trees at all. This island had only—as I said before—the most remarkable plants and trees and flowers. For instance, right in front of the house where I lived, there grew a gigantic electric fan tree."



When General Tin needed a button, he just picked one.

"An electric fan tree!" exclaimed Knarf and Hanid in absolute astonishment.

A Warm Day

"Exactly. The leaves whirled round and round, causing a fine cool breeze to blow into my parlour. On a warm day it was delightful to have my electric fan tree going. In the wintertime, of course, all the leaves fell off, so it made no breeze at all. There's no need for any breeze in the wintertime. The wind blows hard enough."

Knarf and Hanid both agreed that the electric fan tree must indeed have been a wonderful tree to have.

"Can't we grow one?" said Knarf.

"No," said General Tin. But he didn't say why. "And then," he went on, "under my bedroom window I had a whole row of button bushes. I'm quite sure you've never seen a real button bush."

The two Shadows said they hadn't.

"Well, button bushes blossom all year round. The blossoms (as I hardly have to tell you) are exactly like buttons. In fact, they are buttons—white buttons, black buttons, brown buttons, and buttons of every other colour. There is nothing more useful than a button tree to have."

If you've lost a button off your coat, all you have to do is pick a button of the right size and colour off the button bush and sew it on. And," said General Tin, "I did it many times."

"Can't we grow one of them?" said Knarf.

"Impossible," replied General Tin. "Now next to my button bush I had a large needle-and-pin hedge. It looked (unless you looked carefully) like a thorn bush. But though they waited and waited, the thorns weren't the usual

Some of them had tiny holes in them. They were needles. And some of them had little heads. They were pins."

Hanid said: "It would have been wonderful. General Tin, if you had a thread plant, too, did you?"

"Of course! Only it wasn't called a thread plant. It was called a spool vine. The bottom of the vine was shaped like a spool. And the vine branches, which were as thin as thread, wound themselves around and around the spool. I also had a scissors tree, a thimble tree and an inch plant."

"What's an inch plant?" Knarf wanted to know.

Remarkable Plant

"An inch plant," said General Tin, "was one of the most remarkable plants in my garden. It grew straight up, like a ruler. When it was twelve inches high it became a foot. I mean to say, a foot high. When it grew three feet high, it became a yardstick. It was a very handy plant. You just broke it off and went around measuring things."

"Can't we grow any of them either?"

"No, Knarf, we can't. They don't grow in our gardens."

"Why don't they?"

"Because," answered General Tin, "they have to be watered with blue rain. And the rain that falls here isn't blue. It's just water, which isn't any colour at all. It would rain blue rain. We could grow the most wonderful and remarkable things. But until it does, we'll have to get all our pins and needles and spools of thread and scissors and all those other things at the store."

Knarf and Hanid really kept needle-and-pin hedge. It looked (unless you looked carefully) like a thorn bush. But though they waited and waited, the thorns weren't the usual

it only rained plain water.

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Today In The World Of Business

Trade, The Pound And The Dollar

By NORMAN CRUMP, Sunday Times City Editor
(Special to the China Mail)

The official statement on Britain's external balance of payments for the first half of 1950 shows that while we had a trading surplus of £52 million, we added £262 million to our gold and dollar reserves. Favourable though it is, this discrepancy clearly needs some explanation, the more so as in our trade with the dollar area alone we had, by a strange but inverse coincidence, a deficit of £52 million.

Actually there is not one but several explanations. First of all there are receipts under the European Recovery Programme. These brought us in a gross amount of £146 million in dollars. Next there were the dollar earnings of the rest of the sterling area. Including in these the proceeds of newly mined gold and also ERP loans to Eire, these brought in a net £129 million in dollars, which the other sterling area countries banked with us. This of course is a major cause of the increase of £200 million during these six months in the sterling balances held in London by the rest of the sterling area.

Receipts from ERP and the dollars banked with us by the rest of the sterling area add up to £275 million of dollars received by us. Deducting the £52 million representing the deficit in our own trade with the dollar countries, we are left with £223 million. The final item consisted of various capital transactions, which brought us in a net £39 million. This completes the sum which ends in the addition of £262 million to our gold and dollar reserves.

MARSHALL AID

This is satisfactory, as far as it goes. It gives a useful start to Mr. Gaitskell, now that he has taken over the Executive. Again, whatever history may say of Sir Stafford Cripp's general policy, it must admit that during the term of office our gold and dollar losses were turned into gains.

Nevertheless, we must not forget the first main cause of the increase in our reserves during the first half of this year, namely, our receipts under Marshall Aid. Still less must we forget the £129 million of dollars which we received not on our own account but as bankers for the rest of the sterling area. Actually this is not the end of the story. The rest of the sterling area banked with us a further £96 million which they earned from countries outside the dollar area, while vari-ous capital transactions added an additional £55 million to their bankings with us. Thus the gross amount banked was £280 million. Against this the rest of the sterling area bought from us £280 million more than they sold us. To cover this difference they drew £80 million from us. The final result was therefore that they added £200 million to their sterling balances in London.

Depressing day on 'Change

London, Oct. 31.

War news from Tibet and Korea, plus Labour Government economic controls in Britain, depressed the London Stock Exchange.

Industrial shares were mixed, with many leaders fractionally lower at the close.

British Government bonds slumped fractions on reports—confirmed after the end of the trading session—of new offerings of Treasury securities.

Financial Times' Index 116.6—Associated Press.

THE STERLING AREA

These facts bear out what I said a fortnight ago, that the centre of gravity of our external finances might be shifting from the dollar to the sterling area. Events since June 30 last accentuate this change in our position. The rise in the prices of wool, rubber and tin have undoubtedly added to the dollar earnings of the rest of the sterling area, but they must equally have added to the size of the area's sterling balances. The increase of £119 million in our gold and dollar reserves since June 30 must be largely due to this cause.

These facts have a direct bearing upon the question of the pound's future value. Recent talk about the possible revaluation of the pound is a very real possibility, and it is not too far from the mark to say that the pound will never be devalued, but the time for this is far from ripe, and it will not be until the pound is firmly established on a new basis of parity with the dollar.

NEW YORK SUGAR FUTURES MARKET

New York, Oct. 31.

The world sugar futures market closed today unchanged to 2 higher, with sales totalling 82 contracts.

Contract No. 5 closed today unchanged to 2 lower, with sales totalling 28 contracts.

Prices closed today as follows:

Contract No. 4 (world)	8.25 nominal
January	4.25 traded
March	4.35 traded
May	4.45 traded
July	4.55 traded
September	4.65 traded
Contract No. 6	5.48 nominal
January	5.15 bid
March	5.15 bid
May	5.15 bid
July	5.15 bid
September	5.15 bid
Spot	5.70

United Press.

NY EXCHANGES

New York, Oct. 31.

Closing foreign exchange, in U.S. cents:

Canada	95.7 1/2
Belgium	100.00
Switzerland	22.98
Venezuela	30.05

Others unchanged.

—Associated Press.

RUBBER ADVANCE

New York, Oct. 31.

Crude rubber No. 1 futures closed \$2.20 higher:

May	51.25 bid
July	49.00 bid
Spot No. 1 ribbed smoked sheets	70 nominal

Associated Press.

FRISCO FLURRY

San Francisco, Oct. 31.

An extra 75-cent dividend declared by United States Steel after Eastern Exchanges closed today brought a flurry of trading on the San Francisco Exchange.

Steel jumped to a new high of 44 1/4 and closed at 44 1/4, up one.

Associated Press.

Pakistan's Cotton Crop

Karachi, Oct. 31.

A revised forecast of the yield of the cotton crop in Pakistan, during the 1949-50 season, shows an increase of 25.6 per cent.

The increase is in respect of American varieties of 22.7 per cent.

The yield is estimated at 1,245,000 bales of 400 pounds each against last year's yield of 989,000 bales.

Associated Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The turnover on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning was \$159,775. Transactions and noon closing prices were as follows:

HONGKONG BANK	1450
INSURANCES	250
Union	600
DOCKERS, ETC.	94 05
N. P. Wharf	6 01 1/2
Doek	15 1/2
200 @ 15	3000
300 @ 10	3000
LAND, ETC.	
HK Hotel	45 48
HK Land	200 @ 40
UTILITIES	
Tram	12.50 14.20
1000 @ 14.30	14300
500 @ 14.10	7050
100 @ 14.10	1410
200 @ 14.10	2820
Peak Tram	200 @ 22
Star Ferry	70 1/2
C. Light (O) 14 1/2	15
500 @ 15	7500
100 @ 15	1500
50 @ 15	750
70 @ 15	1050
200 @ 15	3000
C. Light (N) 8 1/2	200 @ 20 1/2
Electric	30
Telephone	11 1/2
200 @ 11 1/2	2200
INDUSTRIALS	
Cement	13 1/2
Rope	14
STOCKS, ETC.	
Dairy (O)	14 1/2 15.10
1000 @ 13.50	13500
500 @ 13.50	6750
2000 @ 13.50	27000
500 @ 13.50	6750
WATSON	1500 @ 2 1/2
MISCELLANEOUS	
Yankee	1500 @ 2 1/2

Free Dollars For Britain May Be Stopped

Washington, Oct. 31.

The Marshall Plan Administrator, William C. Foster, indicated today the United States may cut off—at least temporarily—free dollar aid to Britain under the European recovery programme.

However, any new economic relationship with Britain would be flexible to meet changing conditions.

He made it plain that United States Marshall plan dollars will be kept on a "stand-by" basis, ready to be given to Britain in the event that economic conditions there worsen.

"While British gold reserves have been mounting steadily," he said, "certain negative factors continue to operate, and these must be weighed jointly and taken into account in any agreement that is reached between the United States and Britain." Britain has received a total of \$2,711,000,000 from the United States under the Marshall Plan since the recovery programme began in April 1948.

Associated Press.

Grain Futures Show Strength

Chicago, Oct. 31.

Soybeans, displaying unexpected strength, carried grain futures higher.

Grain developed independent strength on reports of exports to Austria.

Wheat closed 1/4 to 3/4 higher.

December	\$2.25 7/8 = \$2.26
March	\$2.30 7/8 = \$2.31
May	\$2.31 7/8 = \$2.32

Corn was 7/8 to 2-cents higher.

Oats were 5/8 to 7/8 higher.

Rye was 1-5/8 to 2-1/8 higher.

Soybeans were 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 higher.

Associated Press.

COPPER LOWER

New York, Oct. 31.

Copper futures closed 2 1/2 to 12 1/2 lower.

January	20.75 bid
July	27.00 bid

Associated Press.

Exchange Rates

New York, Oct. 31.

London, 48 1/2

Paris, 166 1/2

Geneva, 100 1/2

Frankfurt, 100 1/2

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Düsseldorf, 100 1/2

Wall St. Takes A Beating

New York, Oct. 31.

Fast sudden selling bent stock prices down again today. Heavy liquidation hit the market in the last hour of trading.

Losses extended to around \$3 a share before lending issues found a bottom. Final prices were a trifle above the low in most cases. Transfers were 2,010,000 shares.

A total of 754 issues declined and 192 advanced.

Despite the breadth of the decline, 10 issues sold at new highs for the year or longer.

There was nothing spectacular in the news to account for the suddenness or severity of the break.

Among the gainers were Curtiss-Wright, Consolidated Edison and Armco Steel.

Stumblers included Sunray Oil, Curtis Publishing, Douglas Aircraft, Santa Fe and Texas Company.

Dow Jones averages:

Stocks	80.87
20 Industrials	225.01
10 Rails	40.28
10 Utilities	40.02

Associated Press.

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m/v "REINHOLD"

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All damaged cargo claims against the steamer must be presented to the underwriter on or before the 15th Nov. 1950, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have been landed and placed at their risk and expense into the godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

JARDINE MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

FREIGHT DEPARTMENT

PASSAGE DEPARTMENT

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INDO CHINA S.N. CO., LTD.

SAILINGS TO

m.v. "FRONTON"	Timor	2nd Nov.
m.v. "WINGANG"	Keelung	9th Nov.
m.v. "ESANG"	Strait, Bangkok &	16th Nov.
m.v. "HINDUSTAN"	Calcutta	16th Nov.
m.v. "HANGSANG"	Singapore	23rd Nov.

ARRIVALS FROM

m.v. "FRONTON"	Timor	2nd Nov.
m.v. "ESANG"	Japan	11th Nov.
m.v. "HINDUSTAN"	Calcutta, Strait, Bangkok	16th Nov.

Cargo accepted on through Bills of Lading for MADRAS & PONDICHERRY via Singapore and for KUDAT, JEREBELTON, LABUAN, TAWAU, LAHAR, DATU & SEMPOENA via Manila.

AUSTRALIA CHINA LINE LTD.

SAILINGS TO

m.v. "KAFIRISTAN"	Darwin, Sydney, Melbourne & Adelaide	End Nov.
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ARRIVALS FROM

m.v. "EASTERN GLOBE"	Australian Ports via Japan	23rd Nov.
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*Cargo accepted on through Bills of Lading for Tasmania, New Zealand and Pacific Island Ports

GLEN LINE LTD.

SCHEDULED SAILINGS TO U.K. & CONTINENT

m.v. "DUNDEESHIRE"	Loads 2nd November, sails 4th November, for Straits, Colombo, Aden, Suez, Port Said, Canablanca, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg, due London 15th December.
m.v. "GLENORCHY"	Loads 15th November, sails 20th November, for Straits, Colombo, Aden, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Genoa, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Hamburg, due London 15th January.

(Carriers option to proceed via other ports to and from/dischargo cargo)

SCHEDULED ARRIVALS FROM LONDON

m.v. "GLENARTNEY"	Leave U.K. 2nd Nov. 1950
m.v. "GLENCONSHILL"	Sailed 9th Nov. 1950
m.v. "GLENKARN"	Sailed 20th Nov. 1950

PRINCE LINE LTD.

Sails N.Y. Sails S.F. Due H.K.

m.v. "JAVANESE PRINCE"	Sailed 27th Oct.	Sailed 15th Nov.	7th Dec.
m.v. "BRITISH PRINCE"	Sailed 27th Oct.	Sailed 15th Nov.	11th Dec.

EAST COAST, CANADA & USA via SUEZ

m.v. "JAVANESE PRINCE"

Loads 7th November, for Saigon, Kuching, Djakarta, Singapore, Straits, Colombo, Halifax, Boston and New York.

Cargo for St. John (N.S.), Montreal and Bermuda with transshipment at Halifax or New York.

All the above subject to alteration without notice.

All intending passengers should give their names as far as possible in advance of the time at which they wish to leave.

PACIFIC TRANSPORT LINES

ARRIVALS FROM SAN FRANCISCO

m.v. "HONGKONG TRANSPORT"	Sailed S.F. 12th Oct.	Due H.K. 20th Nov.
m.v. "PACIFIC TRANSPORT"	Sailed S.F. 12th Oct.	Due H.K. 23rd Dec.

TO TARTARU, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU, YOKOHAMA

Sails S.F. Due H.K.

m.v. "HONGKONG TRANSPORT"	Sailed S.F. 12th Oct.	Due H.K. 20th Nov.
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Through bills of lading issued to any Port in North America & to South American Ports

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BEN LINE

ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	DUE
"BENVOLOUNT"	U.K. via Singapore	In Port
"BENMAADHUT"	do	In Port
"BENVALDER"	do	14th Nov.
"BENAVON"	do	16th Dec.
"BENVENUE"	do	18th Dec.
"BENLAVER"	do	18th Jan.
"BENMHOR"	do	18th Jan.
"BENMATTOW"	do	17th Jan.
"BENBINNES"	do	25th Jan.
"BENBUACHAN"	do	29th Jan.

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	SAIL
"BENVOLOUNT"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg	27th Nov.
"BENVALDER"	do	27th Nov.
"BENAVON"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg	17th Nov.
"BENVENUE"	do	17th Nov.
"BENLAVER"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg	24th Jan.
"BENMHOR"	do	24th Jan.
"BENMATTOW"	do	24th Jan.
"BENBINNES"	do	31st Jan.
"BENBUACHAN"	do	31st Jan.

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